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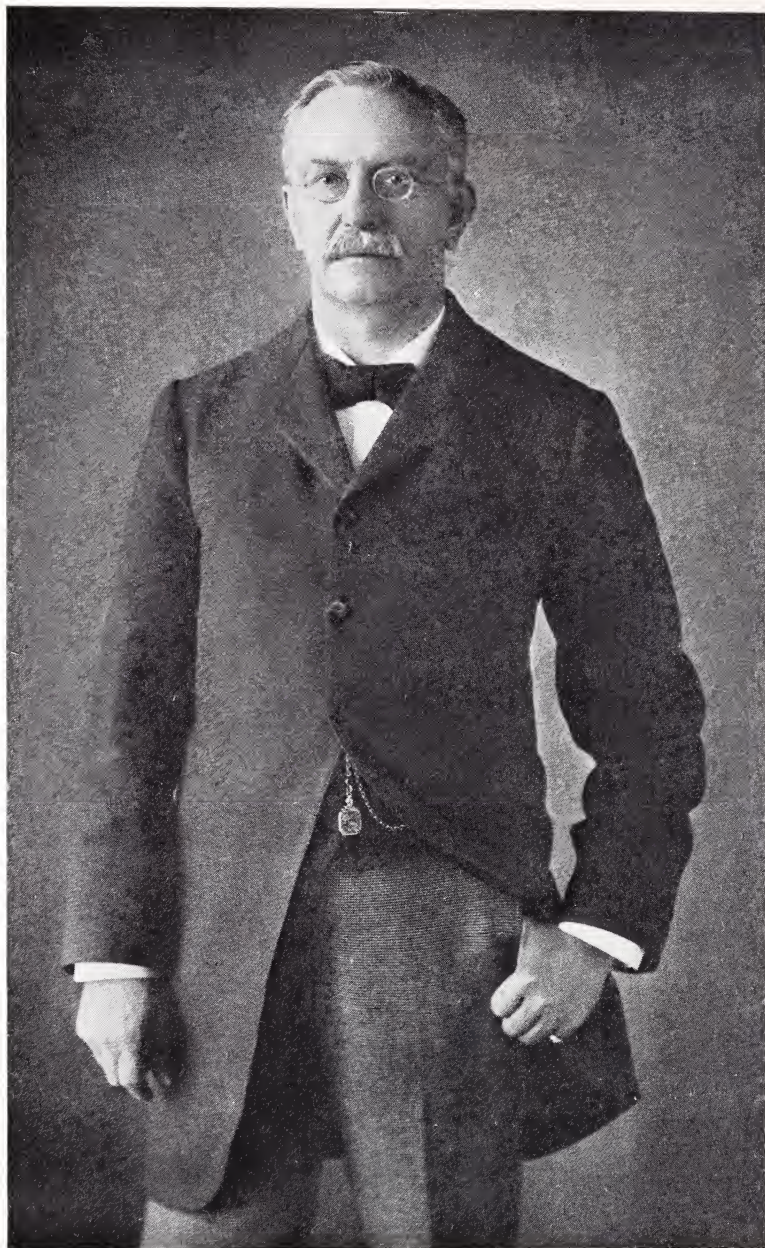


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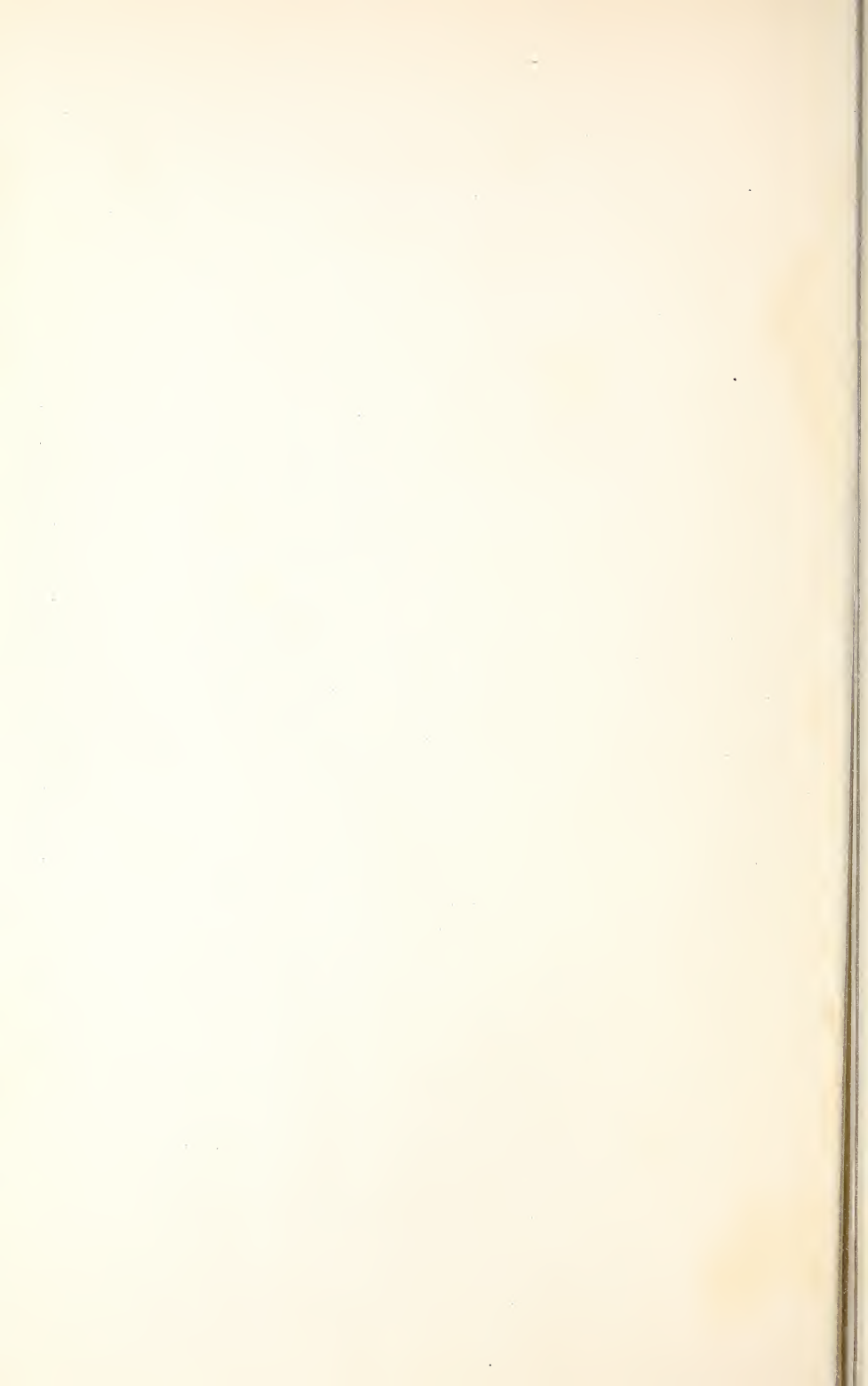
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## INTRODUCTION

The idea of publishing a history of St. John's Lodge had its origin in connection with the celebration of the 175th anniversary of its institution. Right Worshipful Harvey N. Shepard, Worshipful Brothers James T. Wetherald, William S. Heath, Leonard G. Roberts and John C. Hurl were appointed to act in conjunction with the Finance Committee in carrying out the project. The Committee employed Brother Henry May to search the early Masonic records and he has done this work with faithful zeal, and the Lodge is indebted to him for its ability now to make known its long and honorable history. The records of the Lodge itself, and of the other lodges which were its early off-shoots and subsequently again united with it, and those of the Grand Lodge, as well as the archives, have been studied with care, they being the history of Free Masonry not only in Boston and in New England, but in North America.

The Provincial Grand Lodge, known as Saint John's Grand Lodge, was organized by Henry Price July 30, 1733, but its records from January 27, 1775, to February 17, 1787, are missing.

The First Lodge, often called the Mother Lodge, was granted a charter July 30, 1733, and its records continue through July 24, 1754, and are missing to November 14, 1783. For the first half century the records of the Grand Lodge and of the First Lodge are intermingled and the transactions of one body are also in the records of the other. Past Grand Master William S. Gardner said that the records of the First Lodge "gave a better account of Masonry in Boston than the proceedings of the Grand Lodge." This may be due to the fact that both records for a time were the work of Peter Pelham, the first engraver in Boston, who was made a Mason in the First Lodge November 8, 1738. December 26, 1739, he was elected secretary, and the record of that meeting is entered in a new and beautiful handwriting, and the same style continues for five years. August 8, 1744, his son, Charles Pelham, was proposed by Grand Master Price as a candidate, and September 12 he was made a Mason. September 26 the thanks of the Lodge were given to Peter Pelham for his past services, and he was paid ten pounds, and on the same day Charles Pelham was made secretary, and he served until July 24, 1754. His name

appears first as Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge in its record of June 24, 1751, and his service in that office, as appears from the change in handwriting, ended with the meeting of January 20, 1752, although no successor was named until July 10, 1752. Inasmuch as his father, a member of Trinity Church, was buried December 14, 1751, this event may account for the termination of his service as Grand Secretary one month later, though he continued to act as secretary of the First Lodge two years longer. The Grand Secretary in 1775 was Thomas Brown, who sought refuge in Halifax on the Evacuation of Boston by the British troops, and took his records with him.

The records of the Second Lodge in three volumes continue from December 21, 1761, through February 16, 1775, about a month before the occupation of Boston by General Gage, Thomas Brown being its secretary, and taking these records also with him to Halifax. One year after peace was concluded he wrote to Grand Master Rowe offering to return the records upon payment of the amount which he claimed to be due. Nearly three years elapsed before this proposal was accepted. Six months after the death of Grand Master Rowe provision was made for the payment, and the records of the Grand Lodge and of the Second Lodge were returned. They are as clear, distinct, and beautiful as they were when made or as they could now be made.

The records of the Masters' Lodge are from December 22, 1738, to January 15, 1783, although there is a break from April, 1768, to April, 1780, its members being composed of members of the First, Second, Third, and Rising Sun Lodges. These lodges were united into one lodge, named St. John's Lodge, and the records of this united lodge from November 14, 1783, to the present time are complete and in good condition.

There is plenty of evidence that the First Lodge continued its existence and was at work during the period between 1754 and 1783, subject of course to such interruptions as were caused necessarily by the Revolution. During the British occupation the meetings were held at irregular periods, and upon the departure of the army of occupation many of its members also left the town. Like as in the case of the people generally there was division among the members, some continuing their attachment to Great Britain and some throwing in their fortunes with the patriots. Among the latter many were absent in the army and in public service.

The records of the Grand Lodge by its Quarterly Communications show that the First, Second, Third, Rising Sun, and Masters' Lodges were working and were represented in the Grand Lodge by their Masters and Wardens through the Quarterly Communication held January 27,

1775, the Masters' Lodge and the First and Second Lodges then attending by their Masters and Wardens, and the Grand Lodge officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year. Diplomas are extant which were issued during the period, including the diploma of Commodore Samuel Tucker, who was made a Mason in the First Lodge, Boston, Massachusetts, January 30, 1779. Fleet's Pocket Almanac, which was published in Boston in 1784, states that on account of the records of the "First Grand Lodge in Boston Right Worshipful John Rowe Esq., present Grand Master, being carried away by Brother Brown a particular list of the several lodges in North America, who received Deputations from, and are under its jurisdiction, cannot at present be obtained. They are in number about thirty. Those in Boston are St. John's, or 1st Lodge and 2nd Lodge now united in one."

The two volumes of records of the Masters' Lodge cover the whole period of the missing records of the First Lodge, the records of the Grand Lodge cover twenty-one years of the missing records of the First Lodge, and the records of the First Lodge cover four years of the missing records of the Grand Lodge.

It has seemed to be best that in the history of events so important as are those which appear herein the records generally should tell their own story in their own words. To have given them in full would have swollen this volume to undue proportions, and therefore extracts only are included, although very much of what is omitted is also of great interest and value.

The First Lodge was constituted as No. 126, England. It was changed to No. 110 in 1740, to No. 65 in 1755, to No. 54 in 1770, to No. 42 in 1781, and to No. 39 in 1792.

Some portions of the early records appearing here were also used by Right Worshipful Brother Shepard in his historical address at the 175th anniversary celebration. This duplication of material is allowed to stand, as its omission in either place would injure the continuity of the narrative.



## THE FIRST LODGE

“Proceedings in Masonry from its First Origin in North America under our Rt. Worshl. Bror. Henry Price, Grand Master, in ye year of Masonry 5733, Anno Domini 1733.

“5733 July 30, our Rt. Worshl. Bror. Mr. Henry Price by virtue of a commission to him granted from the Rt. Honble. and Rt. Worshl. Anthony Lord Viscount Montague, Grand Master of England, in London to be Provincial Grand Master of North America, over the Ancient and Honble. Society of Free and Accepted Masons, did on this day congregate the Brethren and form them into a Regular Lodge to be holden at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern in King Street on the second and fourth Wednesday in every month.”

The Commission reads:

“Montague (Seal) G. M.

“To all and every Our Rt. Worshl. Worshipful and Loving Brethren now residing or who may hereafter reside in New England,

“The Rt. Honble. and Rt. Worshl. Anthony Lord Viscount Montague, Grand Master of the Free and Accepted Masons of England,

“Sendeth Greeting.

“Whereas application has been made unto us by our Rt. Worshl. and well Beloved Bror. Mr. Henry Price, in behalf of himself and several other Brethren now residing in New England aforesaid, Free and Accepted Masons, that we would be pleas’d to nominate and appoint a Provincial Grand Master of Free and Accepted Masons in N. England aforesaid.

“Now Know ye That we have Nominated, Ordained, Constituted, and appointed, and do by these Presents Nominate, Ordain, Constitute, and appoint, Our said Worshl. and Well Beloved Bror. Mr. Henry Price, Provincial Grand Master of New England aforesaid and Dominions and Territories thereunto belonging, with full power and authority to nominate and appoint his Deputy Grand Master and Grand Wardens, and We do also hereby impower the said Mr. Henry Price for us and in our place and stead, to constitute the Brethren (Free and Accepted Masons) now residing or who shall hereafter reside in these parts, into one or more Regular Lodge or Lodges, as he shall think fit and as often as occasion shall require, he, the said Mr. Henry Price, taking special care that all and every

member of any Lodge or Lodges so to be constituted have been or shall be Regular Masons, and that they do cause all and every the Regulations contain'd in the Printed Book of Constitutions (except so far as they have been alter'd by the Grand Lodge at their Quarterly Meetings) to be Kept and Observ'd and also such other Rules and Instructions as shall from time to time be transmitted to him by us or by Thomas Batson Esqr. our Deputy Grand Master, or the Grand Master or his Deputy for the time being, and that he the said Mr. Henry Price or his Deputy do send to us or Our Deputy Grand Master and to the Grand Master of England or his Deputy for the time being annually an acct. in writing of the number of Lodges so constituted and the names of the several members of each particular Lodge, together with such other matters & things as he or they shall think fit to communicate for the prosperity of the Craft.

"And lastly we will and require that our said Provincial Grand Master of New England do annually cause the Brethren to keep the Feast of St. John the Evangelist, and dine together on that day, and, in case any accident should happen to prevent their dining together on that day, on any other day near that time as he shall judge most fit, as is done here, and that at all Quarterly Communications he do recommend a General Charity to be establish'd for the relief of poor Brethren in those parts.

"Given under Our Hand and Seal of Office at London, the Thirteenth Day of April 1733 and of Masonry 5733.

"By the Grand Master's Command,

"Thos. Batson D. G. M.

"G. Rooke S. G. W.

"J. Smythe J. G. W."

"The Brethren being regularly met at the House of Edward Lutwych at ye sign of the Bunch of Grapes in King street Boston, New England, on Monday July 30th Anno Domini 1733, anno Masonry 5733, unanimously agreed to petition our Rt. Worshl. Mr. Henry Price, Provincial Grand Master, to constitute them into a regular lodge, and did according present him the following petition."

"Our said Rt. Worshl. Grand Master having form'd a Grand Lodge, appointing our Rt. Worshl. Bror. Andw. Belcher Esqr. his D. G. M. and our Worshl. Brethren Thos. Kennelly and John Quane G. Wardens pro tem pore, order'd his Commission or Deputation aforesaid to be read as also our Petition and granting the prayer thereof did then and there in the Most Solemn Manner, according to Ancient Rt. and Custom and the form prescrib'd in our Printed Book of Constitutions, constitute us into a Regular Lodge in manner and form, upon which we immediately pro-

ceeded (by our said Rt. Worshl. Grand Masters Order) to chuse a Master & unanimously chose our Worshl. Bro. Henry Hope Esqr. Master of this our new constituted Lodge, who there nominated and appointed our Worshl. Brethren Mr. Fredk. Hamilton, Mr. Jas. Gordon his Wardens, to which all the Brethren unanimously concurr'd paying the usual respects to our said Worshl. new chosen Master and Wardens and presenting them to our Right Worshipful Grand Master who caus'd them to be duely examin'd and being found well qualified approv'd and confirm'd them in their several stations by investing them with the implements of their office giving each his particular charge and admonishing the Brethren of the Lodge to due obedience and submission according to our Printed Book of Constitutions, Charges and Regulations, etc."

In addition to the names signed to the Petition there appear also these names upon the list of members at the first meeting: Moses Slattery, Thomas Phillips, Robert Macklean, William Wesson, Robert Kenton, John Overing Esqr., Samuel Curwen, Anthony Davis, Alexander Gordon, John Smith, Peter Prescott, Benjamin Pemberton Esqr., Hugh Scott, John Lisle, Richard Pateshall, Robert Gardiner, Thomas Moffatt, Doctr. Phy, Charles Gordon, Capt. James Forbes, Robert Thomlinson, Alexander Traun, John Osborne, Capt. Robert Boyd, Benjamin Hallowell, Fran Johonnot, Luke Vardy, Hugh McDaniel, Charles Bladwell Esqr., Col. John Morris, Capn. John Frazier, Capn. Peter Tonkin, Capn. Richard Parks, Shaw Mackintosh esqr., Benj. Barons, Capt. William Hinton, Thomas Oxnard, Capt. Thomas McKnight, Capt. Webber Goston, Capt. Robert Smith, Robert Oliver, Capn. John Huggett, James Farrell, Giles Vandellure, Capn. Edward Clark of New York, Albert Denie, Alexander French, and Thomas Pearson.

Henry Price was born in London about the year 1697 and removed to Boston about the year 1723. He revisited London and returned in 1733, probably bringing his commission with him. It has been a matter of interest and research to learn in what lodge he received the degrees in Masonry and of what lodge in London he was a member. The answer to the former query cannot be given, but upon the minute book of the Grand Lodge of England for the year 1730 the names of the sixty-three members of Lodge No. 75, Rainbow Coffee House, York Buildings, are given and the fifty-third name in that list is that of Henry Price.

He carried on his business as a tailor for some time at the sign of the Brazen Head on Cornhill, opposite what is now Williams Court. In 1736 he formed a partnership with Francis Beteilhe, who was the shopkeeper while Price carried on the tailoring department. This copartnership continued until 1740. In 1741 he assumed sole control of the business and





Henry Price



carried it on for some time at the corner of Pond and Newbury Streets. In 1740 he purchased for £1,000 a lot of land with buildings thereon situated "at the town end of the Broad Street, wherein the Exchange or Town House stands, leading down to the Governor's Dock." This estate was on King Street, now State Street, and on the northerly side. At the time he purchased there was a wooden building upon it. In the spring of 1744 he commenced a brick building, which was completed during the summer, and upon his application the selectmen gave him permission to erect a sign post in King Street opposite his store. He lived here with his family, occupying the upper part as his home, till 1750, when he retired.

In 1741 he bought the Hartshorn Farm, so called, in Townsend, and other real estate in that town. In 1746 he bought a piece of land "with the edifices & buildings thereon situated, at a place called Menotomy Fields in Cambridge;" and for a time made it his summer residence. It was in that part of Cambridge which afterwards was called West Cambridge, now the town of Arlington, upon the great highway to Lexington and Concord. At a meeting of the Grand Lodge held April 12, 1751 Bro. Price made an offer of the use of his house at Menotomy for the celebration of St. John the Baptist's day, but the day was celebrated elsewhere, "Brother Price's house at Menotomy being encumbered by sickness." It is probable that the sickness was that of his first wife, being about the time she died. In 1755 he took up his residence upon his estate in Cambridge, with his wife and daughter Mary, then about 17 years old. In 1759 his second wife died, and on the 8th of October, 1760, his daughter Mary also, leaving his house desolate. He immediately left and again took his residence in Boston. He conveyed away the house just 32 days after his daughter died. He remained in Boston a year or two, when he removed to Townsend, where he resided the remainder of his life.

July 25, 1737, Henry Price and May Townsend were published. He was an Episcopalian and she was a rigid Puritan. Their marriage took place in the fall of 1737, and in October, 1738, a daughter Mary was born. April 29, 1752, Henry Price and Mary Tilder, both of Boston, were published, and on the 25th of May following they were married by Rev. William Hooper in Trinity Church, where he owned half a pew. "September ye 17th 1771, were lawfully Married, Henry Price Esq., with Lydia Randall, both of Townsend, by the Rev. Samuel Dix of Townsend." She was a young widow with a minor son, John-Abbot. Two children were born to him by this third marriage, Mary and Rebecca. His daughter Mary in April, 1787, married William Watkins of Pepperell, and descendants of that name now reside there. Rebecca was married April 21, 1788, to George Farrar of Townsend. The widow, Mrs. Lydia Price, married her

third husband, Lieut. Levi Whitney of Shrewsbury, Nov. 13, 1780. Whitney removed to Townsend and lived for many years on the Henry Price homestead.

In 1733 Gov. Belcher appointed Henry Price cornet with the rank of major. In 1750 he became a member of the Boston Episcopal Charitable Society instituted in 1724; next to the Scots Charitable Society, organized in 1657, the oldest Charitable Society in New England. He represented Townsend in the Provincial Legislature in 1764 and 1765.

At a meeting of the Grand Lodge held Friday Oct. 20, 1767, it was voted unanimously that the Grand Secretary be directed to write R. W. Henry Price Esq., Past Grand Master of Masons, requesting him to resume the chair as Grand Master. At the Quarterly Meeting of the Grand Lodge held Oct. 23, 1767, Bro. Henry Price again took the chair as Grand Master. The last meeting of the Grand Lodge attended by Past Grand Master Price was Jan. 28, 1774.

About the 14th of May, 1780, while using an axe in splitting rails, it glanced, and struck him in the abdomen, inflicting a severe and fatal wound. His last will was prepared immediately and executed on the 15th. He died on the 20th of May, 1780, aged 83 years. He owned real estate in Boston, Hull, Cambridge, Woburn, Concord, Sherborn, and Townsend, in Massachusetts, and also in New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Connecticut, of great extent and value; and in the inventory of his effects appear a red jacket, red breeches, housing and holsters, a pair of horse pistols, spurs, sword & belt, and a silver hilted sword. The portrait of Henry Price, represented in the full reign of manhood, dressed in the style of about the year 1740 with a wig and queue, white neck cloth, and single breasted and cut away coat, was destroyed by the Winthrop House fire.

The old burying ground in Townsend is about a mile from the centre of the town on high land, surrounded by a forest of evergreens, and on the northerly side of the county road. The grave was some eight rods from the gate with a slate headstone about three feet square, with a round top. In 1888 Grand Master Henry Endicott and Grand Secretary Sereno D. Nickerson went to Townsend and had the remains of Henry Price taken from the grave in which it had rested for more than 100 years and removed to a lot in the new burying ground, which the town had provided, and re-buried, and a monument was erected by the Grand Lodge upon the lot.

ANDREW BELCHER was born November 17, 1706, the first child of Jonathan Belcher and Mary (Partridge) Belcher. He graduated from Harvard College in 1724. He was Register of Probate for Suffolk County



HENRY PRICE MONUMENT





1739-1754, and a member of the Governor's Council 1765-7. He resided at Milton, where he died January 24, 1771, leaving a large property.

His father, JONATHAN BELCHER, son of Hon. Andrew Belcher, a member of the Governor's Council, was born in Cambridge January 8, 1681, and was Governor of the Province at the time Freemasonry was established in Boston.

He graduated at Harvard College in 1699, and immediately went abroad and was absent six years. While in England he was made a Mason. Returning home he engaged in business as a merchant. He was a member of the Governor's Council 1722-7. In 1728 he went again to London on public affairs. He arrived here in August, 1730, with the Royal Commission as Governor and entered immediately upon his duties. He held the office eleven years and was succeeded by William Shirley May 16, 1741. At a Grand Lodge held in the Devil Tavern, Temple Bar, Sept. 26, 1744, the Earl of Strathmore Grand Master presiding, Bro. Belcher was present and a guinea was paid to the charity fund on behalf of the Royal Exchange Lodge of Boston. A letter was read from the Royal Exchange Lodge, Boston, New England, informing the Brethren of Mr. Belcher's many favors to the Craft in that part of the World; whereat the Grand Lodge expresses the highest satisfaction at their sense of the many obligations the Craft in general owed to Bro. Belcher and ordered that his health be drunk with thanks, which was done with ceremony. He was commissioned Governor of New Jersey in 1747 and held the office until his death Aug. 31, 1757. His son Jonathan, an able lawyer, became Chief Justice of Nova Scotia and later its Lieutenant Governor.

The Boston Evening Post of Monday, June 28th, 1736, contains the following account of the celebration of St. John's Day: "Thursday last being the Festival of St. John the Baptist the annual Meeting of the Free and Accepted Masons, they accordingly met at the Royal Exchange, King Street, Boston, The Grand Master nominated and appointed Messieurs James Ceike and Benjamin Barons his Grand Wardens and the Lodge chose Mr. Robert Tomlinson Master, and Messieurs Hugh McDaniel and John Osborn Wardens for the year ensuing and after which they had an elegant entertainment for his Excellency the Governor, Mr. Commissary Price, and several gentlemen of distinction, being present." April 20, 1737, a Commission to Tomlinson, dated December 7th, 1736, arrived in Boston, granted by the Earl of Londown, Grand Master of England, and he was installed into office as Grand Master by his predecessor Henry Price. In 1738 Tomlinson went to England by the way of Antigua "where finding some old Boston Masons he went to work and made the Governor and sundry other gentlemen of distinction Masons whereby

from our Lodge sprang Masonry in the West Indies." Upon his arrival in London, where he had a brother, John Tomlinson, agent of the New Hampshire Province, he attended the Grand Lodge and was present at a Communication held in the Devil Tavern on Wednesday, Jan. 31st, 1739. In 1739 he returned to Boston, and December 27, 1739, appointed Thomas Oxnard his Deputy. From this date the records give no more in relation to him until March 6th, 1741, when he is referred to as having deceased. The Boston Evening Post, the New England Weekly Journal, and the Boston Weekly Post Boy, in several issues, published in September, October, and November, 1740, contain the following advertisement:—

"Whereas Robert Tomlinson, late of Boston, Merchant at the Island of Antigua, on the 15th of July last made his Will touching his estate in the West Indies and thereby directed the executor of that Will (after payment of his debts and funeral expenses and other disbursements) to transmit the remainder of his estate to Mr. Benjamin Hallowell of Boston to be deposited of as his Will there (in Boston) directs; and the said Robert soon after died; but his Will last mentioned has not yet been found; These therefore are earnestly to desire such persons (if any such there be) as hath in his possession that Will, by the said Testator declared to be in Boston to carry the same to the Hon. the Judge of Probate of Wills, for the County of Suffolk, or to the Register's Office, or to give me notice thereof that so the Will of the deceased Gentleman may be lawfully proved and afterwards fulfilled.

Benjamin Hallowell."

Letters of Administration upon the estate of Tomlinson were granted to Benjamin Hallowell, November 17th, 1740; but the will was not discovered.

**BENJAMIN HALLOWELL** was born in Boston January 20, 1699, of Benjamin and Mary Stocker Hallowell. May 20, 1722, he married Rebecca Briggs, by whom he had one son, Benjamin, born February 2, 1725, who was his Majesty's Collector of Customs in Boston, and who married Mary Boylston June 13, 1746, and was father of Sir Benjamin Hallowell, distinguished for his public services and friendship with Lord Nelson. Bro. Hallowell resided in Batterymarch Street, near his shipyard, and died there January 30, 1773. He was a lieutenant in the Boston Militia. He was Master of the First Lodge 1738-9 and was Deputy Grand Master 1753-4-5.

**THOMAS OXNARD** came to Boston from Durham in England. March 10, 1737, he married Sarah Osborne. His house was upon Tremont Street, some distance back, the lot upon which it stood extending from Winter Street to the next street running parallel with it on the north. He



was Worshipful Master of the First Lodge in 1737, and he held the office of Grand Master eleven years. This notice of his appointment is copied from a Boston newspaper of that period: "The Right Worshipful Thomas Oxnard having received a deputation dated London Sept. 23d, 1743, from the Rt. Hon. and Most Worshipful John, Lord Ward, Baron of Birmingham, in the county of Warwick, grand master of Masons in England, appointing him provincial Grand Master of Masons in the place of the Right Worshipful Grand Master Tomlinson deceased; which being communicated March, 6, 1744, he was properly acknowledged, invested, installed and congratulated." During the period from July, 1740, when Bro. Tomlinson died, and March, 1744, when Bro. Oxnard received his commission, Bro. Price acted as Provincial Grand Master. In the summer of 1751 Bro. Oxnard went to England and was absent about two years. He died June 26, 1754, and was buried in a tomb under the old Trinity Church.

"Boston July 1st, 1754.

On Tuesday last departed this Life, after a lingering Sickness, in the Fifty First year of his age, The Right Worshipfull Thomas Oxnard Esq<sup>r</sup>. Grand Master of the Ancient and Honourable Society of Free and Accepted Masons in North America. A Gentleman whose loss is not only deplored by the Fraternity over which for Eleven Years he presided, but by all those who had enjoyed the pleasure of his acquaintance. He was an experienced merchant, an upright dealer, an affectionate husband, a tender parent, a sincere friend, a kind master. He was free from Bigotry and Enthusiasm, and his Religion on the duties of which he constantly attended, was truly catholick. The news of his approaching death was received by him with Composure and Resignation, he set his house in order, and in expectation of a better life, he bore the last agonies of this with a most Christian fortitude. Reader wouldst thou shine in these amiable virtues, imitate him.

"His corpse was attended to the grave last Friday by a numerous train of relations, of Free and Accepted Masons, dressed in black, and cloathed with white aprons and gloves walked before in a procession of two, with the Grand Masters jewell, usually worn by him pendant from the ribbon, on a tassell'd black velvet cushion carried next to the corpse. Immediately before the cushion walked the Deputy Grand Master with the Grand Wardens; the Past Grand Officers, the other officers of the Grand Lodge, the Masters, Wardens, and Officers of the other Lodges in Town in their order, all the Masters and Wardens with their jewells pendant upon black ribbon, after the Interment the fraternity walked before the Relations and returned with them to the Mansion House of the de-

ceased, where they took their leave, The whole attendance was conducted thro' a vast number of spectators, with great order and decency."

"Boston April 3d 5770 last Thursday Morning departed this transitory life (we hope for a better) the Right Worshipful Cap<sup>t</sup>. Hugh McDaniel past Deputy Grand Master of Masons for North America, he joined this Rt. Worshipful Society in the Year 1736 and from the respect the Fraternity bore him he was promoted to be Deputy Grand Master in June 1737; He was at all times a zealous Brother, and shewed himself such in his readiness to relieve the distress'd of what denomination soever; in the latter part of his life his circumstances were greatly reduced, owing to misfortunes in trade, levity to debtors, and as far as he could keeping open his wonted bountiful hand to all who asked his assistance.

"His Funeral was attended by the Grand Officers, Officers & Brethren of the Lodges in Boston who walked in Funeral Procession before the Body according to the Custom of Masons, he was respectfully followed by a number of respectable people, of the Town, and was interr'd in the burial ground of the Kings Chapel last Evening the 2d Instant after which the brethren return'd to Bro<sup>r</sup>. Cutlers to deposite the Cloathing and Jewels." He was Worshipful Master of the First Lodge 1739-40.

### BY-LAWS

The following By-Laws were agreed upon by "the Brethren of the first constituted Lodge in Boston New England at their meeting" October 24, 1733:

1st. NO PERSON shall be made a Mason unless all the Brethren members Present are Unanimous, and if but one member be against him he shall be rejected.

II ly NO BROTHER shall be admitted a Member of this Lodge, unless all the Members Present are unanimous as aforesaid, and upon his or their admission shall pay twenty shillings, as also their Quarteridge, agreeable to a former vote (so many Lodge nights as is past of that Quarter to be first discounted), and shall consent to the By-Laws and Regulations of this Lodge, by subscribing their names to the same.

III ly NO BROTHER OR BROTHERS shall set any victuals in the Lodge Room while the Lodge is open, without the leave of the Master or Wardens, nor call for Liquor or Tobacco without leave as aforesaid.

IIII ly ANY PERSON OR PERSONS being balloted in may be made on a private night by dispensation from the Master or Wardens—Provided the Expense of that Lodge be not taken out of the Money that is

paid for such Making, but every Brother present at such private making shall pay his Clubb or share of the Expense.

V ly **NO BROTHER** that lives within or about this Town (that is not a member of this Lodge) shall be admitted as a Visitor, before he has Signified his desire of being a member and paying his Quarteridge, or else make it appear that he is actually a member of a Regular Lodge; Unless by a Dispensation of the Master and Wardens.

VI. **EVERY VISITOR** shall pay three shillings towards the Reckoning each night.

VII. **NO BROTHER** shall propose any Person to be made without first asking leave of the Master and Wardens.

VIII thly **EVERY MEMBER** of this Lodge shall pay eighteen shillings per Quarter for the Expense of the Lodge, and every member that does not pay his Quarteridge on the first Lodge night of the Quarter, or on the second at farthest (if Present) shall be Excluded from being a member, and all privilage of the Lodge.

IX thly **EVERY MEMBER** shall pay at least two shillings more per Quarter, to be applied as Charity towards the Relief of Poor Brethren.

X thly **ANY MEMBER** that proposes a Candidate, if voted or Baloted in, the member that proposed his friend, shall immediately deposit fourty shillings in the hands of the Cashier, which shall be Allow'd as part of the Making, provided the Candidate attends at the time he is proposed to be made — but if the candidate does not attend as aforesaid, being duly warned, the said Fourty shillings shall be forfeited, and spent and not allowed as part of that making.

XI thly **THE TREASURER** or Cashier of this Lodge, upon his quitting his office, or when another is chosen in his room, shall render a just and true Account to the Master and Wardens of the Lodge for the time being of all the Money Received, Expended and Remaining in his hands, with the Lodge book and Accounts, which he is to deliver up to the Master and Wardens in order and fairly stated.

XII thly **THE MASTER AND WARDENS** of this Lodge shall take care that the Expence of a Lodge night (when there is no making) shall not Exceed three shillings per Member or Brother present, the Cashier has liberty to pay and no more.”

November 14, 1733, the Lodge adopted two additional By-Laws:

“XIII thly **THE MASTER** of this Lodge, or in his absence, the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, or Wardens, when there is a pri-



vate Lodge ordered to be held for a making, shall be obliged to give all the Members timely notice of the time and place in writing where such Lodge is held that they may give their attendance, and every member being duly warned as aforesaid, and neglecting to attend on such Private making, shall not be clothed.

XIV thly NO MEMBER that is absent from the Lodge of a Lodge night when there is a Making, shall have the Benefit of being clothed for that time.

This first American code of Masonic By-Laws is so brief it might have been rehearsed at each meeting without wearying the brethren. The articles are so explicit that there is no room for doubt or uncertainty; "every member that does not pay his Quarteridge on the first Lodge night of the Quarter, or on the second at farthest (if Present), shall be Excluded from being a member." They deny Masonic privileges to those drones in our hive who are too lazy, too indifferent, or too stingy, to perform any Masonic duties, and therefore remain unaffiliated. They forbid the proposing of a Candidate without leave first obtained of the Master and Wardens. They provide that "No Brothers shall set any victuals in the Lodge Room while the Lodge is open, without leave of the Master or Wardens, nor call for Liquor or Tobacco without leave as aforesaid."

Experience soon led our brethren to strengthen these By-Laws. On the twelfth of the following March they

"Voted That the 8th Article of Our By Laws (referring to the payment of Quarteridge) be strictly observed;" and "That no person shall be a member of this Lodge, that has not on a Lodge night been publicly ballotted in accordg. to Our Constitutions and Consents to our by Laws, and pays the Lodge for his making, unless by a Dispensation from the Master & Wardens of the Lodge." A year later they

"Voted That any member of this Lodge that goes abroad or beyond seas shall still continue a Member & be entitled to all the privileges of the Lodge, if he constantly attends when here in Boston and pay his quarteridge or clubb as the other members doe;" and "That no members shall offer to pass his word for a Brother for his quarteridge, or clubb, but shall pay money down." June 23, 1736, they

"Voted That all new made Brothers shall signify upon the same night of their making or the next Lodge night following whether they will be members or not and if they desire to be members then they shall be admitted in without a vote paying twenty shillings entrance for their quarteridge;" and also they

"Voted That Every foreign brother admitted a member of this lodge

shall pay two shillings & six pence to the Tyler;" and "That our present Secretary be excused & free from all charge and expenses of this Lodge." February 9, 1737, they "Voted That if at any time hereafter any foreign Brother should come to the Lodge and after due examination found to be but an Enter'd Apprentice he shall be desired to withdraw in proper time; unless he desires to be made a Fellow Craft which shall be granted, by paying four shillings for such admittance."

"Wednesday April 9th 1740 The Lodge being open'd; the Council appointed last Lodge Night to prepare a Remonstrance to lay before the Rt. W. Mast. and Brethren of this Society were Introduced in due form; and order'd to Present the same; Bro. T. Moffatt one of the Sd. Commee. was desir'd to Read it, in the Audience of the Rt. Wl. Masr. & Brethren; And after due Attention

Voted, Nemeni Con; that the Sd. Remonstrance be Ingross'd in the Book, and to pass into Law, that for the Future the Premium, to be paid by Candidates at their Initiation, to be Ten Pounds,

Voted, that the Sd. Commee. be Respectfully Thanked for their Care and trouble in drawing up Sd. Remonstrance; Which was perform'd by the Rt. W. Masr. & Brethren in due form.

Voted, that the Sd. Commee. be continued, and that our W. Brothers Oxnard and Waghorne be added to them, in order to prepare a Remonstre. (as soon as possible) for the Benefit of the Bank Stock &c. of this Society."

"To the Rt. W. Master and W. Wardens, and the rest of the Members of this Lodge, We whose names are hereunto annex'd being a Committee appointed by this Lodge to consider, whether it be Expedient that a greater Premium than that now stipulated by a Quantum Vote of this Society, be required from Candidates before Admission into our Lodge.

"We, after due Deliberation upon the present Circumstances of this Lodge, and Treasury thereof, do think it is now, not only Proper, but absolutely Necessary for preserving the Honour and Dignity of Masonry in General, and advancing the Interest of this Lodge in particular; That the sum paid by Novices before Initiation be Augmented, and that the said Augmentation when concurr'd to, & agreed on, may presently have the Sanction of a Law henceforward.

"We, your Said Committee are persuaded, that most of the Reasons which prevailed for their establishing the Inaugurating Fee at the present Rate, do not now Subsist; and consequently cannot be employ'd as Arguments against our Judgment, and Opinion, to abrogate, or alter that Decree. As that was a Resolution of this Lodge when in its Infant-state and scarcely a sufficient Number to form One perfectly, much less to maintain it with Spirit. We regard it only as a Result of Necessity

and good Policy, whereby the Society might be Encreased to a proper Number.

"We, your Committee, are convinced that if the sum paid by Candidates, was fixed at Ten Pounds, it would not prevent any man of merit from making Application: on the Contrary would Invite, and induce Them, inasmuch as it would discourage those of mean Spirits, and narrow, or Incumber'd Fortunes from Solliciting to Enter with Us; both which are Inconveniences which We cannot carefully enough avoid, or provide against; because We apprehend the First to be a Disparagement to, and prostitution of Our Honour; And the Latter are often a heavy Charge, and Burthen, in a General and Particular Respect.

"We, Your Committee, observe that at some Admission, there has little or no part of the Money (after defraying incumbent Expences) being applyed, towards the encreasing of Our Publick Bank-Stock—Nay! that at Times, there has been Occasion Voluntarily to Contribute for discharging the Deficiency, or else Vote the same out of the Treasury; by both which pernicious Practices, That Fund, which should be encouraged, & encreas'd by all honest Methods, & Means is Lessen'd, & the Noble Ends, & Purposes, for which it was destin'd, & appropriated are frustrated, and rendered abortive

"Wherefore, We, your Committee, move for Concurrence with us in Opinion, whereby the General & Particular Interest, & Honour of Our Society may be advanced; and by which Men of Eminence may be encouraged, and those of base Spirits, & Embaras'd Fortune May be discouraged to associate with us. And by which our Fund, which ought to be inviolably sacred towards the Relief of Indigent, & Distress'd Masons, their Wives, & Children, may be preserv'd and encreas'd.

"We Your Committee, think there are Further Means, whereby all these advantages might be further enlarged, and secured, which We heartily Wish.

"Thos. Moffatt

"Thos. Walker

"April the 7th 5740."

"Peter Pelham

Bro. Deblois is Stephen Deblois who became a member in 1737. In September, 1754, the building, afterwards known as Concert Hall, was conveyed by Gilbert and Lewis Deblois to Stephen Deblois for 2,000 pounds. In 1769 Stephen Deblois sold Concert Hall to William Turner for 1,000 pounds sterling. The building afterwards was sold to the Amory family which owned it when it was taken down.

"Wednesday Septem<sup>r</sup>: 28th 1743," the Lodge voted "that a Book be prepar'd in order for Recording the Names of all Masons initiated, and



members admitted into this Lodge, since the first Constitution of Masonry in Boston N. E.," and "to take out of the Journal all of the By-Laws and form them into a system," and the following January it paid forty shillings "for binding a Book for the Laws, and List of the Mem<sup>rs</sup>." Four years later, April 27<sup>th</sup> 1748, Brothers M<sup>c</sup>Daniel, Brockwell, Price, Rowe, and Box, were appointed a Committee to alter the By-Laws, and "Wednesday June y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1748" the Committee brought in their Report and it was voted that the By-Laws according to the "Report be enter'd in the Book and accepted for our Regulations." Two years later, March 28, 1750, the By-Laws were revised to "make them agreeable to the currency now establish'd." In less than a year they again were revised. "Wednesday Jan<sup>y</sup> the 23<sup>d</sup> 1751, Being Lodge Night, The Lodge being open'd, Voted That the Bro<sup>rs</sup>. L<sup>d</sup>. Colvill, Oxnard, M<sup>c</sup>Daniel, Brockwell, & Rowe be a Committee to make what additions they shall think necessary to our present By Laws."

"Wednesday April 10<sup>th</sup> 1754, Being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, The Grand Secretary communicated to the Lodge the Vote pass'd by the Grand Lodge at the last Quarterly Communication Viz, That no brother under thirty years of age shall be appointed Master of any Regular Lodge."

Lord Colvill not only endeared himself to the Brethren of the Fraternity, but also to the townspeople generally, and we find upon the records of the town that Lord Colvill "of His Majesty's Ship Success, has upon all occasions during his station here for about three years past displayed the utmost readiness to do everything in his power for promoting the interest of the Province, and of the Town, in particular, and by his conduct and good services has given great satisfaction to the Town; and the Freeholders and Inhabitants taking the same into consideration proposed and thereupon unanimously Voted that the Thanks of the Town be, and are hereby given to his Lordship for his aforesaid services and good conduct during his station here, and the Gentlemen, the Selectmen, are desired to wait upon his Lordship, and in the name of the Town present him with their thanks accordingly."

On Friday, the 22d of May, 1752, the Selectmen reported that they had waited upon Lord Colvill and presented him with a copy of the vote of thanks, to which his Lordship gave the following answer in writing:

"Gentlemen: I am extremely sensible of the Honour done me by the Metropolis of America, and had I known six months ago, how well the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of this great Town were affected towards me, I would have applied to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to be continued on this station; But as 'tis too late, I can only

say, that whenever the American Stations are to be relieved I shall think myself happy if I can return to a country which has already given me such marks of esteem and regard.

"Boston, May 18, 1752. Colvill."

"Voted that his Lordships answer be entered upon the Records of the Town."

### CHOICE OF OFFICERS

The Worshipful Master, the Secretary, and the Treasurer, were elected to office, but the Wardens, contrary to our custom, were appointed by the master. This so appears in the record of the first meeting, and "Wednesday the 13th of June 1739 the Lodge being opened the Brethren proceeded in the choice of new officers for the half year ensuing and accordingly Bro<sup>r</sup> Hugh M<sup>c</sup>Donnel was Balloted in M<sup>r</sup>: of the Lodge. Then was nominated and chosen Bro<sup>r</sup>: Tho<sup>s</sup>. Walker Treas<sup>r</sup> and our R<sup>t</sup>: W<sup>p</sup>full M<sup>r</sup>: nominated & appointed Bro<sup>r</sup>: JN<sup>o</sup>: Hutchinson S.W. Bro<sup>r</sup>: JN<sup>o</sup>: Waghorne J.W." The first record of the choice of Secretary and Tyler is "Wednesday June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1740, Being Lodge Night the following Brethren Mett The Rt: Worshipful Bro: Thomas Oxnard D:G.M. Bro: Waghorne S:W. Bro. Surray J:W. Bro: Walker T. Bro: Pelham S. Bro: James Tabbe Tylar & his Salary as Tylar for the future to be 5/."

Peter Pelham kept a writing and arithmetic school in 1749 and was one of the earliest teachers of dancing in Boston, his school being in the house of Philip Damaresque in Summer Street. He also was the earliest of Boston engravers and in 1727 engraved a portrait of Cotton Mather.

"Wednesday Sepr. 26th 1744, the Lodge being open'd, it was Voted that our late Secr. Bro. P. Pelham be paid Ten Pounds with the Thanks of the Society for his past services which was accordingly paid by the Treasr. 10. Voted that Bro. Charles Pelham be Secretary in the room of our late Secr. who has laid it down."

Brother Pelham appears to have been in the tobacco business "Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 1750 being Lodge night, Voted that Bro. Stone (the Landlord) do supply this Lodge with Bro. Pelham's tobacco, which shall have the Mason's Arms on it."

"5744. Dec. 26. Our Rt. Worsl. Bro. Thos. Kilby Esqr. was chosen Master of the Lodge." Bro. Kilby was Commissary of the king's stores in Louisburg, and died there August 23, 1746.

"5745. Decr. 24. Our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Box appointed Master of the Lodge." John Box, a ropemaker, was warden of King's Chapel and one of the Vestry. He also was one of the promoters in building the present stone church. He died of consumption Oct. 21, 1774, aged 75

years. "The Ancient and Hon. Society of Free Masons conducted his body to the burial place" which was tomb No. 14 under King's Chapel.

"Wednesday June 12<sup>th</sup> 1754 Being Lodge Night Voted that our Rt. Worshl: Bro. Jeremy Gridley Esq<sup>r</sup>: be continued Master of the Lodge the ensuing six months, who appointed Bro. Ezek<sup>l</sup>: Price S.W. and Bro. W<sup>m</sup> Stowe J.W."

Jeremiah Gridley was born March 10, 1701, son of Richard and Rebecca. He married Abigail Lewis, daughter of Hon. Ezekiel Lewis. He graduated from Harvard College in 1725, then studied theology and occasionally preached, and later studied law and was admitted to the bar, where he won a distinguished position, and was called by his associates, "Father of the Boston Bar." He started a weekly paper called the "Rehearsal," the first number of which made its appearance on Sept. 27, 1731. He was Moderator of the town of Brookline, 1759, 1760, and 1761, nine meetings, Representative to the General Court for 1755, 1756, and 1757, and Attorney General in 1767. He died Sept. 10, 1767, his brother Richard Gridley being appointed administrator of his estate. His remains were placed in the tomb of his father-in-law, the Lewis tomb No. 9 Granary Burying Ground on the South side.

He was admitted to the First Lodge in 1748 and was elected Worshipful Master in 1754. At a meeting of the Grand Lodge held August 21st, 1755, he informed Grand Master Price that he had received a Deputation appointing him Grand Master of North America, and delivered the Deputation to Bro. Price, who ordered the Secretary to read it, and record it in the Grand Lodge Book. On Wednesday, Oct. 1, 1755, he was installed into office by Brother Price in Concert Hall after which a long concourse of Brethren marched in procession to Trinity Church where the Rev. Mr. Hooper read prayers and the Rev. Mr. Brown preached a sermon. Grand Master Gridley and Past Grand Master Price, in regalia, walked together and closed the procession.

In 1756 the Earl of Londown was appointed Commander-in-chief of the Army throughout the British Continental Provinces in America, and Governor of the Province of Virginia. He sailed from England in May and arrived in New York; on the 9th of January, 1857, he came to Boston to meet a Congress of Governors and other Commissioners. On Monday the 24th he dined with the Governor and a large number of both Houses in Concert Hall. At a meeting of the Grand Lodge held Jan. 31, 1757, "The Rt. W. G. M. informed the Lodge that the occasion of the meeting was to make Capt. Harry Chartens, Capt. George McAdams, aide-de-camp, Dr. Richard Huek, and Mr. John Appy, Secretary to the Earl of Londown, with Mr. John Melville, Masons (who



came to town from Marblehead with Br. Lowell on purpose to be made a Mason), which the Lodge unanimously agreed to. Our R. W. G. M. appointed Richard Gridley, the Master of the First Lodge, to make the above five gentlemen Masons who were made entered Prentices, and Passed Fellow-Crafts." About the last of January or the first of February, 1757, the Grand Master summoned the Brethren to attend in Concert Hall to celebrate the Feast of Saint John the Evangelist. Among the distinguished Brethren present were His Excellency John, Earl of Londown, late Grand Master of Masons in England, and his Excellency Charles Lawrence Esq., Governor of Halifax, and Mr. James Otis, one of the Commissioners for Massachusetts to confer with Lord Londown.

Boston, September 11<sup>th</sup> 5767

At a Special Grand and General Lodge, assembled at the British Coffee house in Boston, on account of the death of the Right Worshipful Jeremy Gridley Esq<sup>r</sup>. Grand Master of Masons in North America.

#### PRESENT

The Right Worshipful John Rowe Esq<sup>r</sup>. Dep<sup>y</sup>. Grand Master and  
Grand Treasurer.

Bro<sup>r</sup>. Hugh M<sup>c</sup>Daniel past D.G.M.

Bro<sup>r</sup>. Robert Jenkins past D.G.M.

Bro<sup>r</sup>. John Box Sen<sup>r</sup>. Grand Warden pro temp

Bro<sup>r</sup>. John Cutler Jun<sup>r</sup>. Grand Warden & Mas<sup>r</sup>. of Mas<sup>rs</sup>. Lodge

Bro<sup>r</sup>. Abraham Savage, Gr. Sec<sup>ry</sup>, & Mas<sup>r</sup>. of the first Lodge

Bro<sup>r</sup>. Job Wheelwright Sen<sup>r</sup>.

Bro<sup>r</sup>. Andrew Johonnett Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Bro<sup>r</sup>. Benjamin Loring Sen<sup>r</sup>.

Bro<sup>r</sup>. William Hickling Jun<sup>r</sup>.

Bro<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Fitch, Esq<sup>r</sup>. Master

Bro<sup>r</sup>. William Tyng, Sen<sup>r</sup>. pro.

Bro<sup>r</sup>. John Bradford, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

} Wardens of Mas<sup>r</sup>. Lodge

} Wardens of the 1<sup>st</sup> Lodge

} Wardens { of the  
2<sup>d</sup> Lodge

The Order of the Procession as directed by this Grand Lodge to be Observed at the Funeral of the late Grand Master Gridley:

After the Officers of the Grand Master's Regiment, who march two and two, and the Members of the Marine Society who follow them in the same manner:

1. The Tyler of S<sup>t</sup>. Andrews Lodge with the sword
2. The two Stewards of said Lodge with their wands
3. The Members of Said Lodge, two and two, all properly cloathed.
4. The three Grand Stewards, with their jewels and wands.
5. The Members of First, Second & Masters Lodges, two and two.

6. The Master, Wardens and other Officers of St. Andrews Lodge two and two.

7. The Treasurers of the First and Second Lodges, with their proper badges.

8. The Wardens of the Second Lodge.

9. The Wardens of the First Lodge.

10. The Wardens of the Masters' Lodge.

11. The Master of the Master's Lodge, with the Master of the First Lodge, on his right hand, and the Master of the Second Lodge on his left.

12. The Past Grand Officers two and two.

13. The Deputy Grand Master, with the Senior Grand Warden on his right hand, and the Junior Grand Warden on his left.

14. The Grand Tyler, carrying the black velvet cushion whereon is laid the late Grand Master's jewel.

15. The Body of the late Grand Master.

"Boston, September 12<sup>th</sup> 5767. In the above manner the Fraternity walked before the corpse. The pall was supported by his Honour Thomas Hutchinson Esq<sup>r</sup>. Lieu<sup>t</sup>. Governour and Chief Justice of the Province, The Honorable Edmund Trowbridge Esq<sup>r</sup>. late Attorney Gen<sup>l</sup>. and now one of the Judges of the Superior Court, The Honorable John Erving Esq<sup>r</sup>., the Honorable Thomas Hubbard Esq<sup>r</sup>., both members of his Majesty's Council, James Otis Esq<sup>r</sup>., and Samuel Fitch Esq<sup>r</sup>., both Barristers at Law and both of the Society of Free and Accepted Masons.

After the corpse followed the Relations of the deceased, the Gentlemen of the Law in their robes, many of them of the Fraternity, and numbers of gentlemen of the Town, their coaches &c., which closed the whole procession. When the Military Officers arrived at the gate of the Burying Ground they halted, as did the Free Masons, and then opened to the right and left, forming a lane for the corpse and those that followed to pass through.

Number of members in the funeral procession 161"

"Boston, September 14<sup>th</sup> 1767.

On Thursday Evening last at 11 o'Clock, departed this life the Right Worshipful Jeremy Gridley Esq<sup>r</sup>. Grand Master of Masons over all North America, Attorney General for the Province of Massachusetts Bay, a Member of the Great and General Court of said Province and a Justice throughout the same, Colonel of the first Regiment of Militia, and President of the Marine Society.



His funeral was attended on Saturday last, with the respect due to his memory, by the members of his Majesty's Council, and the Judges of the Superior Court in Town, the Gentlemen of the Bar, the Brethren of the Ancient and Honourable Society of Free and Accepted Masons, the Officers of his Regiment, the members of the Marine Society and a great number of the gentlemen of the Town."

Extract from an unpublished diary of John Rowe, Grand Master 1768-1787: "12th Sept., Saturday 1767, Cool & Fair. Wind in the Afternoon. I attended the Funeral of Our Right Worshipful Jerry Gridley Esq. Grand Master. The Officers of his Regiment marched in order. Then the Brethren of St. Andrews Lodge, then the Stewards of the Grand Lodge, then the Brethren promiscuously two & two, then the Wardens of the Second Lodge, then the Wardens of the First Lodge, then the Wardens of the Masters Lodge, then the three Masters of the three several Lodges, then the past Grand Officers and the Treasurer, then the Grand Wardens, then myself as Deputy Grand Master, then the Tyler, with the Grand Master's jewell on a black velvet cushion, the Corpse, The Bearers were the Lieut. Governor, Judge Trowbridge, Justice Hubbard, John Erving Senr. Esqr., James Otis Esqr., & Mr. Samuel Fitch. Then followed the Relatives, after them the Lawyers in their robes, then the gentlemen of the Town, & then a great many coaches, chariots & chaises. Such a multitude of spectators I never saw at any time before since I have been in New England. After his body was interr'd wee return'd in form to the Town house (from whence his corpse was taken from at the beginning of the Procession) in the same order as we first walked. I do not much approve of such parade & show but as it was his & his relatives' desire, I could not well avoid giving my consent."

James Otis came to Boston in 1750 and in 1752 he received his degrees in the First Lodge. He resided next to the County Court House in 1760, and was one of the greatest of the patriots in the preliminary conflicts with the royalists before the Revolution. In 1761 he made the famous speech against the "Writs of Assistance." Some severe strictures upon the officers of customs resulted in an attack on him in the British Coffee House in King St. by John Robinson, a commission of customs. Otis was severely cut on his head, which made him insane. He retired to Andover, and while standing in the doorway of Mr. Osgood's house was killed by lightning May, 1783, aged 58 yrs. His remains were brought to Boston and placed in a tomb in the Granary Burying Ground, where a boulder with a bronze tablet stands to his memory.

John Rowe, who became a member of the Lodge in 1740 and was its

Worshipful Master in 1749, occupied in 1744 a warehouse on Belcher's Wharf as an importer. Rowe Street and Rowe's Wharf are named for him. At the mass meeting in the Old South Church where the Tea Party was assembled Rowe said "who knows how tea will mingle with salt water!" The idea was received with great laughter and approval. He was a member of the General Court in 1784. At an adjourned meeting of the Grand Lodge held in the Bunch of Grapes Tavern, January 22, 1768, he was elected Grand Master for three years, and the deputation to him from the Grand Lodge of England is dated May 12, 1768.

"Friday November 11<sup>th</sup> 1768, the Grand Committee met this evening at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern to further regulate & order what may be necessary previous too, & at the installm<sup>t</sup>. of the Right Worshipful John Rowe Esq<sup>r</sup>. as Grand Master. The Committee made choice of the following Brethren to serve in the respective offices against their names in procession on the installment day, Viz. Bro. Samuel Fitch to walk as Master of the Masters Lodge, Bro. Samuel Calef to walk as Master of the First Lodge, Bro. Henry Leddel to walk as Master of the Second Lodge."

His diary contains the following memoranda: "2d April Monday 1770. Afternoon I attended the funeral of my old acquaintance Brother Hugh McDaniel & was one of his bearers together with John Erving Esq<sup>r</sup>., Mr. Peter Chardin, Jos. Henshaw Esq<sup>r</sup>., Mr. Wm. Coffin Sen<sup>r</sup>., & Mr. Timothy Fitch. The Brotherhood walk'd in procession before the corpse & made a handsome appearance.

"7 December (1773) Tuesday cold weather in afternoon; I attended the funeral (of) Mr. Rob<sup>t</sup>. Jenkins, he being a Brother was buried in form the Masons of the several Lodges walking in procession with their jewells & white aprons—I was a pall bearer with Bro. Price, Bro. Warren, Bro. Box, Bro. Cutler, & Bro. McNeill.

"3 Novem<sup>r</sup>, (1774) Thursday afternoon, I attended the funerall of Brother Box and was a bearer with James Pitts Esq., Dr. Gardner, Mr. Chandon, Mr. Henderson Inches, and Mr. Gilbert Deblois, it was a handsome funerall the Free Masons walked in proper form."

"At a Meeting of the Grand Lodge at Brother Sam Dunn's house Feb. 7, 1787. Whereas it hath pleased Almighty God to take hence our dear & well beloved Grand Master John Rowe Esq<sup>r</sup>. the G. Lodge desirous of manifesting their respect & affection for him agree to attend his funeral in due form, and that the Lodges in this Town & Charlestown be invited to attend on the same sorrowful occasion, and

Voted That W. Brother Cutler, Gardner, & Patten, be a Committee to wait on M<sup>rs</sup>. Rowe to know if 'tis agreeable to her that the free

Masons walk in procession at the funeral, and Voted, That they, together with W. Brother Prince, Mackay & Dunn be a Committee to arrange & superintend the funeral procession.

Voted, That the Committee furnish two doz. aprons & two dozen pair gloves, which the Treasurer is directed to pay for."

### WORKING TOOLS

There is no mention of tools or implements for the ceremonies of the ritual until "Wednesday Octob<sup>r</sup>: y<sup>e</sup>: 24<sup>th</sup>: 1744," when we find: "Voted that Bro. Price provide a neat Square, Level and plumb Rule in wood for the use of the Lodge, the Treas<sup>r</sup>: to pay for the same out of the Societys Treasury."

"Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup>: 13<sup>th</sup> 1745 Being Lodge Night the Lodge being open'd Bro. Price reported that the Masters Lodge had Voted a sett of candles to this Lodge."

"Wednesday Feb<sup>y</sup>. y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> 1749 Being Lodge Night Voted that a Press or Closett be built in the Lodge Room, to inclose the Pedastal and other utensils belonging to the Lodge and a committee was appointed to project the form thereof and get it done at the expence of the Lodge."

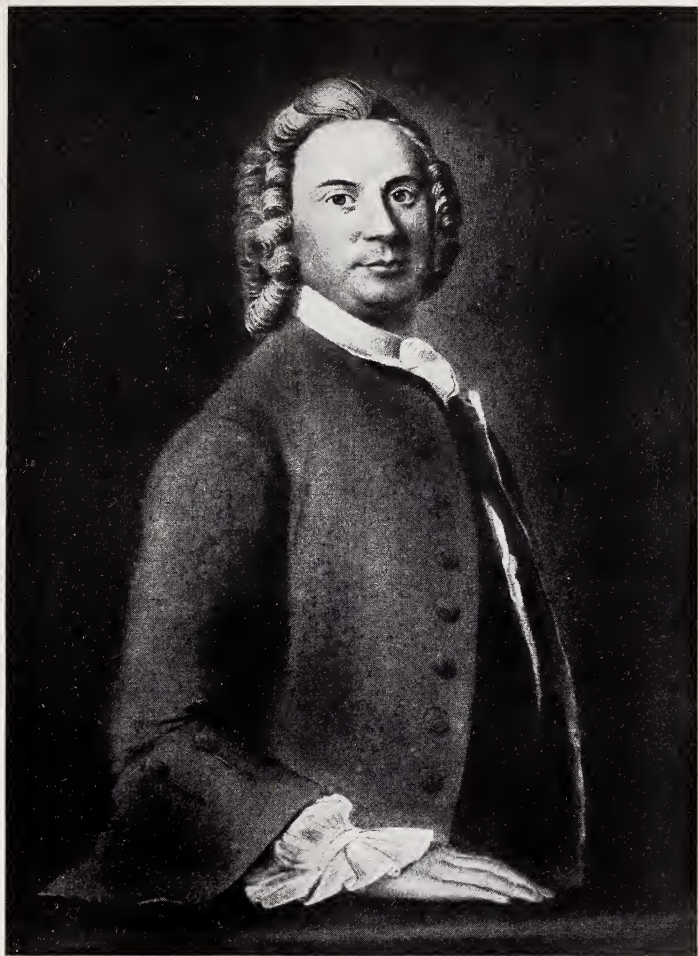
"Wednesday March y<sup>e</sup> 22<sup>d</sup> 1749 Being Lodge Night, Voted that the Lodge be not cloath'd with gloves for six makings in order to defray the charge of said closet without hurting the stock of the Lodge."

"Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup>: 22<sup>d</sup>: 1749. Being Lodge Night the Lodge being open'd Our R<sup>t</sup>. Worsh<sup>l</sup>: Brothers Oxnard G. M. McDaniel D. G. M. & Rowe M. presented to the Lodge Three Silver Punch Ladles to be deposited in the pedestal, which were receiv'd by the Brethren with the utmost gratitude and thankfulness."

"Wednesday Aug<sup>st</sup>. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1750 Being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd Voted that the Jun<sup>r</sup>. Wardens make use of Meddals to keep the reckoning for the future."

It appears by the records that the candidate sometimes was required to clothe the lodge, that is to furnish gloves for all the Brethren present, while at other times it was done at the expense of the lodge. The Brethren of those days were determined that they would have clean hands at all events. This involved a heavy expense. It appears that on the 10th of January 1738, the Reckoning or tavern bill amounted to £4. 14. 8. and the cost of gloves was £10. 16. 1, while the fee for making was only £8.





JOHN ROWE





## THE GRAND LODGE

The records show close connection with the Grand Lodge, and frequently contain its proceedings: "Monday, December the 29 1740 Our R<sup>t</sup>: W: Bro<sup>r</sup>: Thomas Oxnard D: G.M. open'd a Grand Lodge and was pleased to nominate and appoint the following Brethren his Grand Officers for the year ensuing."

"Wednesday February the 10th 1741. Being Lodge night Voted that a petition to the Grand Lodge of England be made & sent with all speed for the constituting & appointing our Rt. Wor. Bro. Thos. Oxnard Grand Master of New England."

"Wednesday June the 24<sup>th</sup> 1741. This Night being the Festival of St. John the Baptist the same was observed in a very particular and elegant manner by all the Brethren present, when Our Rt. W: Bro: Tho<sup>s</sup>: Oxnard held a Grand Lodge, and was pleas'd to nominate and appoint Bro. Steven Deblois, S. G. W. Bro: Robert Jenkins J: G. W. Bro. P. Pelham G. S. and Bro: Stevenson G. Tylar for the year ensuing."

"Thursday June 24, 1742, Being the Festival of St: John the Baptist; The R<sup>t</sup>: W. Bro: Thomas Oxnard G: M. held a grand Lodge, and was pleas'd to appoint Bro. Jenkins S: G: W. Bro: Row J: G.W. Bro. Pelham G. Sec<sup>y</sup>. & Bro: Stevenson G: Tyl<sup>r</sup>. The Brethren attending (about 40 in Numb<sup>r</sup>.) celebrated the evening in a very elegant manner."

"Tuesday March 6<sup>th</sup>: 1744, the Lodge being open'd Bro. Tim: McDaniel presented Our R<sup>t</sup>: Worsh<sup>l</sup>: Bro. Tho<sup>s</sup>. Oxnard Esq<sup>r</sup>: with a Deputation from the R<sup>t</sup>: Honble R<sup>t</sup>: Worshipful the L<sup>d</sup> Barron Ward Grand Master of England constituting and appointing him our S<sup>d</sup>: R<sup>t</sup>: Worsh<sup>l</sup>: Bro: Thomas Oxnard, Provincial G: Master of North America, which by his order was read, and then our Rt. Worshl. P.G.M. received the salutations and congratulations of the Brethren in due order; and appointed our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Hugh McDaniel his Deputy, Bro. Kilby S.G.W. and Bro. Box J.G.W. till June next; after which the Brethren were elegantly entertain'd by our Rt. Worshl. G.M. and the evenings celebration clos'd with the utmost order and decorum, in a manner only known in Masonry."

The Deputation is as follows:

"(Seal) J. Ward G.M. To all and Every our Right Worshipful, Worshipful; and Loving Brethren.

We John Lord Ward Barron of Birmingham in the County of Warwick Grand Master of the Ancient and Honourable Society of Free and Accepted Masons send Greeting.

Whereas, Application hath been made unto us by several of our Brethren residing in North America praying that we would Appoint a Provincial Grand Master for North America in the Room of our Brother Robt. Thomlinson Esquire, deceas'd late Provincial Grand Master Now Know ye that we John Lord Ward have Nominated Constituted and Appointed and by these presents do Nominate Constitute and Appoint our well beloved Bro. Thos. Oxnard Esquire To be Provincial Grand Master of North America with full power to nominate and Appoint his Deputy Grand Master and Grand Wardens and in our name and stead to Constitute Lodges in North America he the said Thos. Oxnard Esquire taking special care that all and every Member or Members of any Lodge or Lodges so to be Constituted have been or shall be made regular Masons, and that he cause all and every the Regulations contain'd in the Printed Book of Constitutions except so far as they have been alter'd by the Grand Lodge at their Quarterly Communications to be kept and observ'd and also all such other Rules and Instructions as shall from time to time be transmitted to him by us or Sr. Robt. Lawley Barronet our Deputy Grand Master, or the Grand Master or his Deputy for the time being, and that he the said Thos. Oxnard Esquire do send an Accot. in Writing to us or our Deputy or the Grand Master for the time being of all and every Lodge or Lodges he shall constitute with the date of their Constitution and Days of meeting and names of their Members and their place as Above. Also Two Guineas for the General Charity and half a Guinea for other Expences from every Lodge he shall Constitute and also to hold four Quarterly Communications in a Year, one of them upon the Feast of St. John the Evangelist or as near that time as Conveniently may be.

Given under Our Hand and Seal at London this Twenty third Day of September One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty-three and of Masonry Five Thousand Seven Hundred & Forty Three.

By the Grand Masters Command

John Revis G.S."

"Friday June 26<sup>th</sup>: 1744 Being appointed by our R<sup>t</sup>: Worshipful Grand Master for the celebration of John Baptist Day our R<sup>t</sup>: Worsh<sup>l</sup>: G: M. attended by 30 Brethren held a Grand Lodge which being open'd he was pleas'd to continue his G: Officers in their several posts for the ensuing six months after which the evening was spent in entertainments suteable to the occasion and conducted with the utmost harmony & decorum fitting so grand a solemnity."

"Dec. 27, 5748. Being the Festival of St. John the Evangelist the

Brethren attended Divine service at Christ Church, where a sermon suitable to the occasion was preached by our Rt. Worshl. and Revd. Bro. Mr. Chas. Brockwell after which they repair'd in procession, and concluded the celebration of the day in Grand Lodge at an elegant dinner with the utmost decency and decorum, after the manner of Masons."

"Wednesday April y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup>, 1750, Being Lodge Night the Treasurer was directed to supply our Rt. Worshl. Mast. with £20 for our Constitution." The payment would seem to be rather late as the Constitution took place seventeen years before.

"Fr<sup>y</sup>day April ye 13<sup>th</sup> 1750. At a Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge holden at the Royal Exchange Tavern in King street Boston Bro. McKenzie (Senior Warden of the Masters Lodge) presented a remonstrance to this Lodge wherein he complains of several erroneous proceedings of ye 1<sup>st</sup>. Lodge which being read by the G. S. it was Voted that the consideration thereof be referred to the next Quarterly Communication."

"Frydy July 13<sup>th</sup> 1750. At a Quarterly Communication holden in Boston, voted that Our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Coffin M. of the 1<sup>st</sup> Lodge have longer time to answer Bro. McKenzie's complaint against the said 1<sup>st</sup> Lodge."

"Frydy Octo<sup>r</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 1750.

At a Quarterly Communication holden in Boston, the Lodge being open'd Voted, that the Rt. Worshl. Bro. Coffin be serv'd with a copy of Bro: McKenzie's complaint against the 1<sup>st</sup> Lodge, attested by the G: Secretary."

"Wednesday July 24-1751, Being Lodge Night the Lodge being open'd it was motion'd and thought proper by the Brethren, that whereas our Grand Master Bro. Oxnard was going home, this and the other Lodges in Boston should prefer a petition sign'd by the several Masters and Wardens to the Grand Master of England, praying the enlarging and establishing our Grand Masters power in North America. Voted that the R<sup>t</sup>. Worsh<sup>l</sup>. Brors. Lord Colvel, Brockwell, McDaniel, Price, and Rowe be a Com<sup>ee</sup> to prepare the same.

Voted That the Treas<sup>r</sup>. do pay to the above Com<sup>ee</sup>. Three Guineas to be sent Home as this Lodges propor<sup>n</sup>. of the expence that may accrue."

"Wednesday October 1<sup>st</sup> 5755, at a Grand Lodge Held at Concert Hall this day the Right Worshipfull Jeremy Gridley Esq<sup>r</sup>. appointed Grand Master of Masons in North America by the Right Worshipfull the Marquis of Carnarvon Grand Master of Masons, was installed in that office (at Concert Hall) the three

Lodges in this Town and the Masters & Wardens of the Portsmouth Lodge in New Hampshire with a great number of Brothers were present cloathed with white aprons and gloves, and after the Instalment accompanied their Grand Master in procession to Trinity Church in this order, first walked the Sword Bearer, carrying a drawn Sword in one hand and the Book of Constitutions in the other, next came the several Lodges according to their juniority, closed with the Wardens and Master cloathed with their jewells, four Stewards with white wands went before the Grand Treasurer and Secretary cloathed with their jewels, who were followed by the Past Grand Officers, after these walked the Grand Wardens with their jewels and the present and late Grand Master cloathed with their jewels and badges, closed the Procession. At Church the Rev<sup>d</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Hooper read Prayers and the Rev<sup>d</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Brown preached an excellent sermon on the occasion to a numerous and polite audience, after service the Sword Bearer and Stewards walked before the Grand Master, and the procession was made in a reverse order back to Concert Hall, where an elegant dinner was prepared, and the afternoon was spent in harmony and mirth."

"Friday April 9<sup>th</sup> 5756, at a Quarterly Communication holden in Boston the Master of Masters Lodge and the First Lodge presented a Petition for this Lodge to consider of some method in order to raise a fund for Charity—a Committee of Seven were appointed to take the Petition under consideration."

"At the first Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons held at the Royal Exchange Tavern in Boston on the second Wednesday of September, being the 9<sup>th</sup> day 5767, the Question was put whether this Lodge think it best to purchase Concert Hall, Provided the sum of £600. Sterling can be raised? Pass'd in the Affirmative.

Question. Whether this Lodge would include their stock in the above sum of £600 Ster? for said Purchase? Pass'd in the Negative.

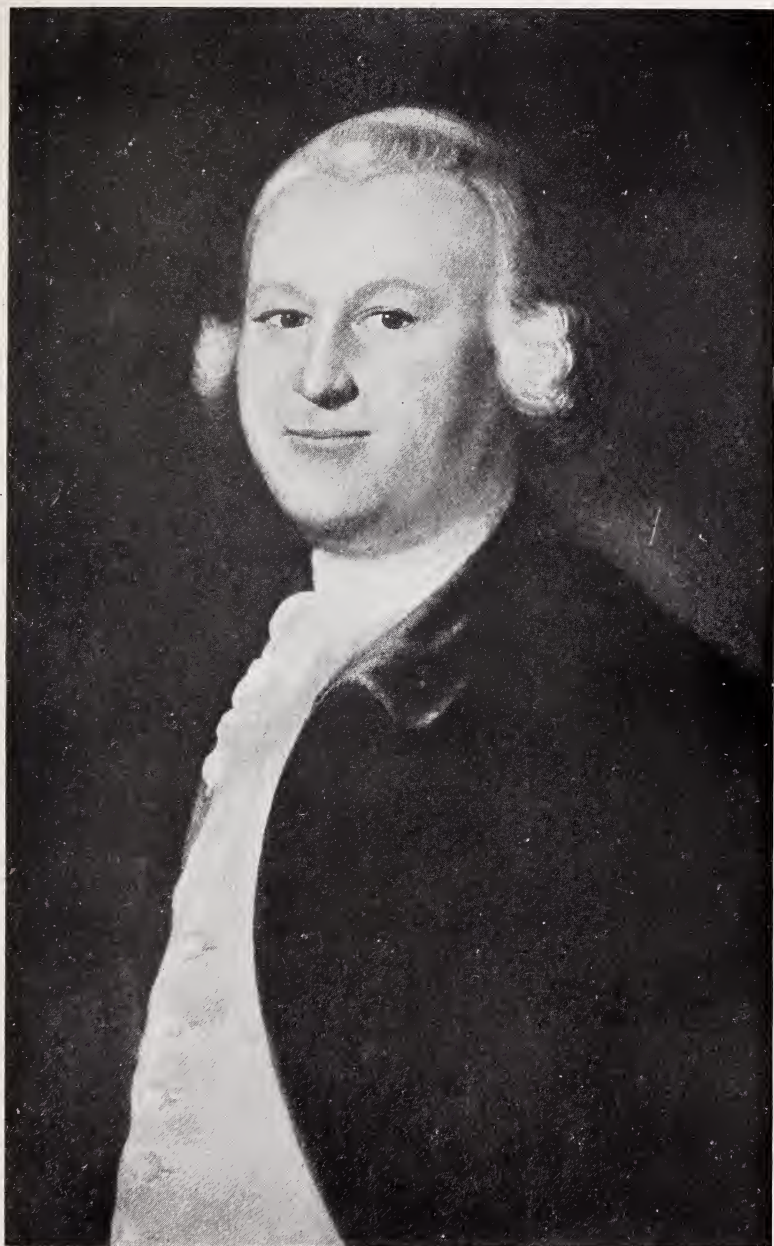
Voted. That it is expedient to call a General Lodge, in order to see what Subscriptions can be obtain'd for the purchase of said Hall."

A Special Grand Lodge was held "At the First Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in Boston held at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern in King Street on Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup> of Dec<sup>r</sup>. 1768."

## FRATERNAL RELATIONS

Our brethren maintained close relations with all members of the Craft, both here and elsewhere, and September 1, 1736, they sent the following letter to Scotland :





JAMES OTIS





“Most Worthy and Dear Brethren

Our true affection for the whole Fraternity will not permit us to slip this favourable opportunity to give you sincere assurance of our due respect and regard for all our Worthy Brethren. Our hearty good wishes we forward to you under the care of our Brother Mr. Patherick Robertson, who is a well esteem'd Member of our Lodge.

It will perhaps be acceptable to you that we inform you our Lodge was constituted here by our Right Worshipful Master Henry Price Provincial Grand Master on the 31<sup>st</sup>. day of August A. M. 5733 and is held at the Royal Exchange Tavern in Kings Street, the Second & fourth Wendsday of every Month, and is adorned with the most eminent gentlemen of this great town, and kept up to its primitive beauty & purity. We shall always be ready and desirous to convince our Brethren & particularly those of your Rt. Worshipful Lodge that we are with due respect Most Worthy & Dear Brethren, your Sincere Brothers & humble Servts.

Henry Price G. M. James Gordon D.P.G.M. Robert Tomlinson M. Hugh McDaniel S.W. John Osborn Jr. W. F. Beteilhe Secretary at Boston New England September the 1<sup>st</sup>. A.D. 1736.”

Brother Robertson made safely the long voyage across the Atlantic and November 2 attended a meeting of the Lodge as appears from its records:

“At the Old Coffee house 2d Novem<sup>r</sup>. 1736

Members present: The R<sup>t</sup>. Worshipful Jas. Montgomery pro. Master; John Murdock pro Sen<sup>r</sup>. Ward; Tho<sup>s</sup>. Hamilton pro. J. Warden; John Thomson; George Murdock; James Craig; Robert Scot; Robert Draghorn; Arthur Martine; Andrew Scot; Oliver Wardrof; John Telfier; Wm. Robb; Robert Hamilton; Roger Redburn (Visiting Brethn.) at this Meeting the following being presented by our trusty & well beloved Brother Pathrick Robertson of New England, Merchant from our Sister Lodge in Boston, this Lodge unanimously agreed and ordered the said letter to be engross'd in the book and also judge it proper that an answer thereto may be transmitted by the hands of the above Brother James Montgomerie pro Mr.”

Before the time came however for the return of Brother Robertson it was found that one of their own members proposed to visit Boston and the following letter therefore was entrusted to him:

“Glasgow Kilwinning Lodge,  
22d February A.D. 1737.

Dear Brethren:—

This accompanies Capn. Robert Paisly, a worthy Member of our Lodge by whom we take occasion to acknowledge the receipt of your obliging letters of September 1st deliver'd to us by Brother Patrick Robertson which notified to us the agreeable news of your having a regular Lodge in the Town of Boston Constituted A.M. 5733.

It is with pleasure we learn that the Craft is in so flourishing a way with you and that your Lodge is kept up in its Antient Simplicity & Beauty.

We desire you'll accept of our sincere affection & our hearty good wishes for the Prosperity, Unity & Harmony of our Sister Lodge and shall be fond of every opportunity of testifying with how much Esteem and Regard We are

Dear Brethren

Yo'r Most affectionate Bror & Most humble Servants

James Montgomery	M.
John Clarke	D.M.
John Murdock	S.W.
John Baird Junr.	J.W.
Wm. Robb	Secy.
John Telfer	J.S.
James Craig	S.S.

To

The Right Worshipfull the Master, the Worshipfull the Wardens & the Worthy Brethren of the Lodge held at the Royal Exchange Tavern in King Street.

Boston

In

New England.”

The following letter also was sent to the Right Worshipful Robert Thomlinson, who, in answer to a petition of the brethren of the First Lodge, was appointed December 7, 1736, by the Grand Master of Masons of England Provincial Grand Master of “the Province of New England with the Territories and Dominions thereto belonging:”

“Thrice Worthy Brethren.

Your letter presented by our worthy Brother Mr. Patrick Robertson agreeably inform'd us of the foundation and firm establishment of your Lodge in Boston; We rejoice at it with Exceeding Gladness and as we all have the interest of Masonry nearly at heart, we use our utmost endeavours to promote its advancement. And we felt a very sensible

pleasure from Bror. Robertson's relation of your good management and the true Spirit of Masonry that so happily reigns amongst you.

We are confident that as Masonry is but in its infancy in New England you will not fail to act the part of affectionate parents in assisting its progress with tender but assiduous care and form its Constitution into an agreeable and convenient shape by infusing a social disposition, a charitable will and an harmonious spirit into every Brother.

If true Masonry is thus rightly cultivated in the beginning, your prosperity will increase, you will be strangers to disorder & your concord will outlast even time who has all things in his power but the dissolution of Masonry.

We Salute you Well beloved Brethren with the Greeting of St. John and as your prosperity and harmony is already great, we wish it may daily encrease. We desire and will be forward in continuing our correspondence and we hope our Brotherly affections will be strong enough to surmount the dangers of the seas and overcome the distance of our situations. We are with Sincere Regard.

Yo'r Most Affectionate Brethren  
and humble Servants  
Alexa. Tait D. M.  
Jas. Hay S.W.  
Andrew Syme J.W.

Edinburgh

28 Jany. 1737."

"Wednesday the 8th of Aug<sup>t</sup> 1739 the Lodge Being Opened Bro<sup>r</sup>: Murray presented a Letter from the Grand Lodge holden at Antigua, which is as follows:

Right Worshipfull, Worshipfull, Thrice Worthy and Ever dear Brethren:

We with utmost pleasure received your hearty congratulation upon the Establishment of Masonry in this our Island, and return thanks to Our Brethren of Boston, for the good opinion they entertain of the virtues of Our Countrymen, which we hope will be continually encreasing as the Royal Craft comes every day to flourish and gain ground among us, not only by the accession of numbers of New Brethren, but especially under the happy influence of our thrice Worthy Right Worshipfull Grand Master his Excellency William Mathew, whom we boast of as a true good Mason and a sincere lover and encourager of our estimable Craft. We take kindly our Dear Brethrens offer of a friendly correspondence, and should before this time have signified the pleasure we hope to reap from it by an answer to yours of the fourth of April last, but that we waited

for an opportunity of sending our sincere and hearty good wishes to our Brethren and Fellows by the hands of one who might in our name greet you in a Brotherlike Manner.

We are now so happy as to enjoy this wish'd for opportunity by our Well beloved Brother Major John Murry's intending for Boston in a very few Days, whom we commend to you as a worthy upright Master Mason, who has for some time past, executed the office of a S. W. of one of our Lodges to the intire satisfaction of all his Brethren and Fellows.

All the Brethren here salute you well beloved with the Greeting of St. John, wishing that all prosperity may attend you and that No Malicious Cowan may ever with profane ears and eyes approach even the lowest step of Your Worshipfull Lodge, in order to listen to the wisdom or pry into the beauty or disturb the order and harmony thereof.

We are, Dear Brethren,

Your sincere Effectionate Brethren and Humble Servants. From the Grand Lodge held at the Court house in St. Johns the 27th June A.L. 5739.

Sign'd by the Command of the Ri't Wpfull the Grand Master.

William Mercer G.S."

"Wednesday Aug<sup>t</sup>. 24<sup>th</sup> 1743, The Lodge being Open'd Bro<sup>r</sup>: Hall presented a Letter from the Lodge in Minorca, which was generously rec'd and the Brethren remember'd in due order; when a Letter in answer was ordered to be wrote and sent by the hands of Bro<sup>r</sup>: Hall which was done accordingly with a Token of 10 Gall<sup>s</sup>: of Rum; as from the Lodge; that it was really the present of Bro: Hall."

## MASONIC HONORS

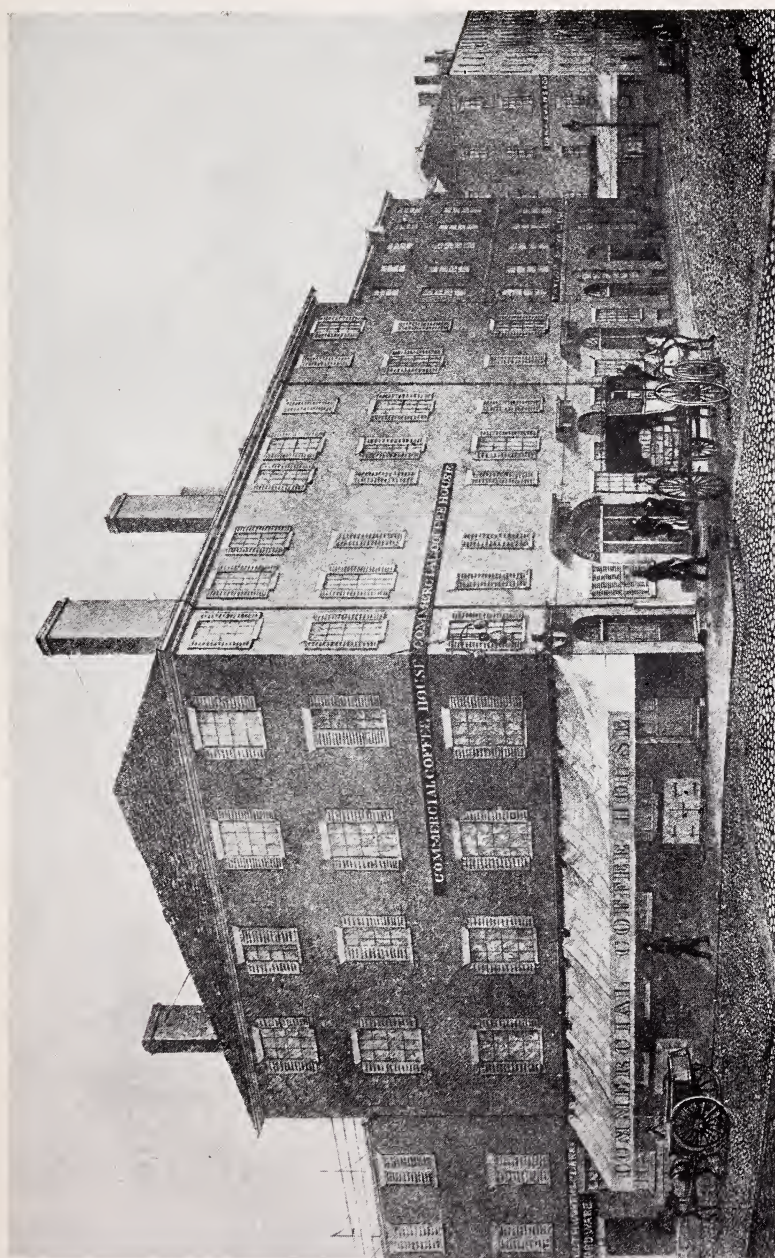
Our brethren were careful to pay honor where honor was due.

"Wednesday August 12<sup>th</sup> 1741, the Lodge being opened our Rt. Worshipfull Masr. recommended to the Brethren, that it was his opinion some perticular order should be observed in toasting the health of our Rt. W. Bro. the Honble. Mr. Belcher; and that a Committee might be appointed as soon as possible, to wait upon him with acknowledgements from the Lodge of his past favours, and to return our thanks &c.

Voted, that next the G. M. the late Governor of this Province, is to be toasted in the following manner viz: To our Rt. W. Bro. the Honble. Mr. Belcher, late Governor of N. E. with 3/3/3=9.

Voted, that our Rt. W. Bros. T. Oxnard D. G. M., Bror. Phillips, Row, Price, Hallowell, Forbes, McDaniel, and Pelham, be a committee to form





COMMERCIAL COFFEE HOUSE  
MILK AND BATTERYMARCH STREETS



a speech, and wait upon the Honble. Mr. Belcher in behalf of this Society and to make report of their proceeding the next lodge.

Voted, that the twenty four Masons Glasses lately deliver'd to the Society, by our Rt. W. Bro. Forbes be paid for out of the Treasury of this Society."

"On Friday Septemr. 25, 1741 the Committee appointed by this Lodge waited upon the Honble. Mr. Belcher &c. and made the following speech.

Thrice Worthy Brother—

We being a Committee by the Mother Lodge of N. England, held in Boston to wait on you, to take this opportunity to acknowledge the many favours you have always shewed (when in Power) to Masonry in general, but in a more especial manner to the Brethren of this Lodge, of which we shall ever retain a most grateful Remembrance.

As we have had your protection when in the most exalted station here, so we think its incumbent on us to make this acknowledgment having no other means to testify our gratitude but this; And, to wish for your future Health and Prosperity which is the sincere desire of us, and those in whose behalf we appear and permit us to assure You we shall ever remain

Honoured Sir

Your most Affectionate Brethren

& Humble Servants

Peter Pelham Sec<sup>t</sup>:

in behalf of the Committee.

To Which We receiv'd the following Answer,  
Worthy Brothers—

I take very kindly this mark of your Respect. It is now thirty seven years since I was admitted into the Ancient and Hon<sup>ble</sup>: Society of Free and accepted Masons, to which I have been a faithful Brother, & a well wisher to the Art of Masonry—

I shall ever maintain a strict friendship for the whole Fraternity; & always be glad when it may fall in my power to do them any services.

J. Belcher."

This statement of Brother Belcher carries back his initiation to 1704, thirteen years before the revival of Masonry and the reorganization of the Grand Lodge in London. So far as is known he was the earliest made Mason resident on this Continent.

"Wednesday October the 14th 1741, Being Lodge Night, Voted that a Committee be appointed to wait on his Excellency Governour Shirley to congratulate him on his advancement to the government of this Prov-

ince, &c. when it was proposed and agreed that the following persons should formed Committee to act in behalf of this society viz: Our Rt. W. Bror. Thos. Oxnard, Forbes, Overing, Price, Hallowell, Jenkins, McDaniel, Phillips, Johonnot, and Pelham, and to make report of their proceedings next Lodge night."

"On Fryday October the 23<sup>d</sup>: 1741 the Committee appointed by this Lodge waited upon his Excellency William Shirley Esq<sup>r</sup>: and presented him with the following Address—

May it please your Excellency.

We being a Committee appointed by the Ancient and hon<sup>ble</sup>. Society of Free & accepted Masons of the Mother Lodge of America held in Boston, presume to wait upon you with utmost sincerity, to congratulate your advancement to the government of this Province, and to assure your Excellency that our desire is that your administration may be successful and easy.

We have had hitherto the honour of His Majestys Governor being one of our Ancient Society who was ever a well wisher & faithful Brother to the Royal Art of Masonry—

And as it has been the custom for men in the Most exalted station to have had the door of our Societys constitutions always opened to them (when desired) we think it our duty to acquaint your Excellency with that custom, and assure you that we shall chearfully attend your Excellency's pleasure therein, and as we are conscious that our Society are loyal and faithful subjects to His Majesty we may reasonably hope for your Excellencys Favour and Protection, which is the request of

Your Excellency's  
Most obedient humble Servants  
Peter Pelham Sec<sup>r</sup>:  
In behalf of the Society."

In the preparation of this address the zeal of the secretary and his respect for authority seem to have outrun his discretion, when he graciously informs His Excellency that it has been the custom for men in the most exalted station to "have had the door of our societys constitutions always opened to them." A very broad, and, as we nowadays should consider it, a very unmasonic hint.

His Excellency was pleased to return the following answer:

"Gentlemen:

I return the ancient and honourable society my thanks for their address and invitation of me to the Mother Lodge of Free and Ac-



cepted Masons in America; and they may rest assur'd that their Loyalty and Fidelity to his Majesty will always recommend the society to my favour and protection.

W. Shirley.

Voted, that the above Address to His Excellency Wm. Shirley Esq<sup>r</sup>: &c; with his Excellency's Answer be printed in one of the publick papers next Monday."

"Wednesday March 24<sup>th</sup> 1742, being Lodge night, our Bro. Burnet of Cape Francois was pleased to send us a present of wine &c. We acknowl-edge'd it as a very great favour and salute him in due form."

"Wednesday Aug<sup>t</sup>. 10<sup>th</sup> 1743, being Lodge Night, Voted that Bro<sup>r</sup>: Jenkins, Charles Hall, H: M<sup>c</sup>Daniel, Phillips, & Price take a proper opertunity to wait on Bro: Belcher (our late Governor) with an Invitation from the Brethren to give us the favour of his company, at such time as he shall please to appoint."

"Wednesday Feb<sup>y</sup>: y<sup>e</sup>: 8<sup>th</sup>: 1744, being Lodge Night, Voted that a Supper be prepar'd to receive and entertain Bro. Belcher in his taking leave of the Brethren, and that Bro: Price and Bro: Audibert be Stewards to provide the same, each Visiting Brother paying 20/ the remainder of the expence to be paid out of the stock of the Society; Bro: Johnson to collect the 20/ of each Visiting Brother."

"Thursday Feb<sup>y</sup>: 9<sup>th</sup>: 1744 being appointed for the entertainment of the Hon<sup>ble</sup> M<sup>r</sup>. Belcher (according to Vote) who attended with about forty of the Brethren in open lodge; and a handsome supper was prepar'd after which we took leave of our Hon<sup>d</sup>. Brother in the most solemn manner.

The whole Expence of the Evening	£34	6	0
paid by 4 Visiting Brothers		4	0 0
Paid by the Treas <sup>r</sup> :	£30	6	0"

"Wednesday, Aug<sup>t</sup>. 26, 1747, being Lodge Night, Voted that our Rt. W. Bro. Oxnard G.M., Bros. Brockwell, Aston, Pelham, T.M.C. Daniel, & Secray. be a Committee in behalf of the Lodge to send a Letter of Congratulation to our Honble. Bror. Belcher upon his advancement to, and safe arrival at his government of the Jerseys."

"Wednesday Sep<sup>r</sup>. 9<sup>th</sup> 1747, being Lodge Night, the committee appointed to form a Letter of Congratulation to His Excellency our Bro. Belcher presented the same to the Lodge which was to the acceptance of the Lodge. Voted therefore that the Secretary do forward the same, as soon as may be, and the Commee. have the thanks of the Lodge for the same. It is as follows vizt:

### Thrice Worthy Brother!

It was with the greatest pleasure and utmost satisfaction we rec'd the news of your safe arrival at your government of the Jerseys and from a just sence of the distinguishing marks of your esteem shewn to the Antient & Honble. Society of Free and Accepted Masons when you fill'd the chair of government in this Province (which upon all occasions we doubt not but you would still continue) we cannot but hope the sincere and hearty congratulations of our Lodge on your present happy accession may meet with a favourable acceptance.

You have sufficiently distingu'd your adherence to our Three Grand Principles in your firm attachment to his Majesty's Person and Government, which with joy we find has preferr'd you to a second commission (an uncom. instance of Royall favour) and as the weight of so great a charge must be attended with many concernes so we heartily wish you a happy concurrence of everything that may render your administration satisfactory to your Prince, advantageous to your People, and easy to your Self, so that full of days and full of honour (which but little survives our action) you may finally meet with a reward of that honour and happiness which will be as eternal as inconceivable.

By order of the Rt. Worshipful the Provincial Grand Master of North America and the Rt. Worshipful Master Wardens and Fellows of the Lodge held in Boston, N. England, Sepr. ye 3d in the year of Masonry 5747 Anno Domini 1747.

Chas. Pelham Secr."

"Wednesday October 28th 1747, being Lodge Night, our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Oxnard G.M. presented to the Lodge a letter from His Excellency our Bro. Belcher at the Jerseys in answer to the congratulation sent him from the Lodge, which was most kindly recd. and order'd to be read by the Secretary and is as follows Vizt.

Rt. Worshl. Brothers!

I have with much pleasure receiv'd your respectful congratulation of my safe arrival to this government dated from your Lodge in Boston ye 3 of last month. From the testimonials I carry'd with me to London from your Lodge I was receiv'd by the Rt. Honourable the Grand Master and at the Lodges where I attended as a Worthy Brother.

I shall always with great alacrity show respect & kindness to any one that may fall in my way who is a Brother of the Society of Free and Accepted Masons; and I am the more gratified in the Kings repeated Grace and Favour as it does me double Honr. in clearing my character from all imputation, & sett's me at the head of this fine Province, and may also reflect some Honour on the Society of Free and Accepted Masons, that the King has so publicly justified the conduct of a Brother in his adminis-

tration of the government of two of His Majesty's Provinces in New England for eleven years together.

I am much oblig'd to the Brothers of your lodge for their kind wishes of my wellfare and prosperity in the arduous affairs of government, but above all that they extend to my obtaining a reward of honr. and happiness that shall be Eternal—I have been receiv'd by the Good People here with uncommon marks of respect and kindness, which I shall return by all such acts of goodness in my power as may most of all contribute to their Interest, & to their quiet and satisfaction.

May you Rt. Worshl. Brothers, and all and every one of your Lodge live long in much health and ease, and in such other circumstances of life as you would wish for your selves and when this life must be exchange'd for one that will have no end may you all be happy thro the Mercy of God, in Jesus Christ, our only Lord and Saviour Amen.

From Kingwood House in the City of Burlington New Jersey this Sixth day of October in the year of Masonry 5747

Anno Domini 1747

Sign'd J. Belcher.

To the Rt. Worshl. Thos. Oxnard Esqr. Provincial Grand Master of No. America the Rt. Worshl. Master, Wards, & Fellows of the Lodge of the Ancient and honble. Society of Free & Accepted Masons in Boston."

"Wednesday Sep<sup>r</sup>: 13th 1749, being Lodge night, the Lodge being open'd, Bro: Price: Whereas Bro. Bayard is going to the Jerseys Voted that Bro<sup>rs</sup>: Brockwell, Pelham & S. be a Comm<sup>ee</sup> to form a Letter to Compliment to Our Hon. Bro. Belcher Gov<sup>r</sup>. there."

### VISITORS

Naturally any distinguished Mason who happened to be in Boston found his way into the lodge. "Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> of April 1739 being Lodge Night y<sup>e</sup> following Brethren Mett," namely "15 Members and 3 Visitors including Ja<sup>s</sup>: Phillips G: M: De Nov: Scot."

"Wednesday May the 25<sup>th</sup> 1743, being Lodge Night, the following Brethren Mett The Rt. Worship<sup>l</sup>: Bro: H: Price M. pro Bro: Benj: Franklin of Phil<sup>a</sup>:" &c.

"Wednesday June the 8th 1743, being Lodge Night, the following Brethren Met. The Rt: Worshipful Bro: N: Bethune M. Bro: Franklin Vis<sup>r</sup>:" &c.

"Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup>: y<sup>e</sup>: 14<sup>th</sup> 1744, being Lodge Night, the following Brethren Met. The Rt. Worshipful Bro. Tho<sup>s</sup>. Oxnard G:M. The R<sup>t</sup>. Worsh<sup>l</sup>: Bro. R: Jenkins M. (24 Members) and Bro. B. Bediford Vis<sup>r</sup>: G. M. of Jamaica."



"Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup>. 13<sup>th</sup> 1751, being Lodge Night, the following Brethren Met The R<sup>t</sup>. Worsh<sup>l</sup>. and Rev<sup>d</sup>. Bro. Brockwell M.

Bro. Leverett S.W.

Bro. Gooking J.W.

Bro. Coffin T.

23 Members

Lord Colvil

Bro. Franklin"

John Leverett, the Senior Warden, was born January 28, 1727, and became a member of the Lodge in 1749. He was elected its Worshipful Master in 1758. His grandfather was the brother of Hon. John Leverett who was president of Harvard College. In the town record of 1761 he is styled captain, Esqr. in 1762, and colonel in 1768. He was Lieut. Colonel of the Boston Regiment in 1772, afterwards Colonel. He resigned in 1773.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN was born January 6, 1706, in the house of his father Josiah which occupied the site of the building now numbered 17 upon Milk Street in Boston. In 1724 he went to Philadelphia. He visited England and was probably there made a Mason. Upon the return voyage he became acquainted with Henry Price who "further instructed him in the Royal Art," and who gave him authority to establish a lodge in Philadelphia, which upon the return of Franklin was duly constituted. In June, 1734, Franklin came to Boston. In August, 1734, he wrote to Henry Price for a copy of his Commission and this letter for many years was kept in a glass case in the office of the Grand Secretary in the Masonic apartments in the Winthrop House and was burned in the fire which destroyed that building. In August, 1734, the newspapers of Boston advertised as "Lately Published the Constitution of the Freemasons, containing the History Charges Regulations, etc., of that Most Ancient and R. W. Fraternity, for the use of Lodges," for sale at the Heart and Crown in Cornhill. This probably was an American edition of Anderson, republished by Franklin in 1734 in Philadelphia, and referred to in the postscripts of his letter to Price. A copy of this book was bought at the Brinley sale by Most Worshipful Samuel C. Lawrence. Upon the back of the cover are the words: Free Masons; Boston 1733. Phil. Benj. Franklin 1754 (should be 1734). Within are the words: London Printed; Anno 5723. Reprinted in Philadelphia by Especial Order for the Use of the Brethren in NORTH AMERICA

In the Year of Masonry 5734 Anno Domini 1734.

GEORGE WASHINGTON came to Boston in 1776, immediately after the siege, and again in 1789, and visited St. John's Lodge, then held in Concert Hall at the corner of Court and Hanover Streets.



## CHARITY

The brethren were not unmindful of the poor. "Wednesday, February 13th 1740, being Lodge Night, a committee was appointed to inspect into objects of Charity and to relieve poor Masons or their Widows not exceeding £3 to each."

"Wednesday March y<sup>e</sup>: 10<sup>th</sup>: 1741, being Lodge Night Voted that the Treas<sup>r</sup>: pay to Bro: John Butler as a gift the sum of £6. which was paid accordingly."

"Wednesday Oct<sup>r</sup>: 13<sup>th</sup> 1742, being Lodge Night, the humble petition of the Widow Young was presented to our Rt. W. M. who recommended it to the Brethren. Voted that the Treasurer do give the Widow Young (upon the Prayer of her Petition) the sum of Five Pounds out of the stock of this Lodge, and at the same time Bro. Le Pain gave her 2/6."

The "Hatt" went round frequently, and generally came back liberally stocked. As the secretary was in the habit of writing the name of this extemporized contribution box with a capital H. and two ts, perhaps the Brethren used for this purpose the "threesquare hat" which they "Voted to purchase to adorn the head of the R. W. Master."

## DISCIPLINE.

Envy and ignorance did not refrain then, any more than now, to speak calumny of the Fraternity.

"Wednesday Jany. 9th 1750, being Lodge Night, Voted that no Bror. Present shall for the future take any NewsPaper printed by Thos. Fleet, or that said Fleet may be concern'd in.

Voted that no Bro. present shall give any encouragement to Sd. Fleet's paper or to him in his business, by advertisement or otherways.

Voted that Bros. Oxnard, Ld. Colvill, Gridley, McDaniel, Brockwell, Rowe, & Price, be a Committee to wait upon the Lieut. Governor & Council, to complain against a scandalous piece of ribaldry, in sd. Fleets paper, and pray their order for prosecuting the printer thereof.

Voted that the Treasr. of this Lodge do pay unto sd. Committee our proportion of whatever expence may acruce upon a prosecution of the afore-said Fleet, or others, should such prosecution ensue."

Thomas Fleet was born Sept. 8, 1685, in England, son of Thomas Fleet of Tillstock, County of Shropshire. His shop and dwelling were in Cornhill on the north corner of Washington and Water Streets, a brick building, which was taken down about 1865. He was printer to the General Court 1729-31. He died July, 1758, leaving a widow, three sons, and two daughters.

"Wednesday April 24-1751, being Lodge Night, a difference having arose between Bros. Littlejohn and Hallowell a committee was appointed to take into consideration and reconcile them."

### TAVERNS.

Inasmuch as lodge meetings were then always held in taverns, as even now is the custom in many parts of Great Britain, they were subject at times to interruption. So we find in the records that "Wednesday the 27th Decem<sup>r</sup>, Lodge Night and the Feast of St. John the Evangelist; our Bro. Luke Vardy (at whose house the Lodge is usually held) being incapable of entertaining the society from the afflictive circumstance of having this day buried his wife; the Lodge was held at Bror. Andrew Halliburton."

The poet sings of him thus—

"Where's honest Luke, that Cook from London?  
For without Luke the Lodge is undone.  
'Twas he who oft dispell'd their sadness,  
And filled the Brothers heart With gladness.  
For them his Ample bowls o'erflow'd;  
His table groan'd beneath its load;  
For them he stretched his utmost art;  
Their honours grateful they impart.  
Luke in return is Made a brother,  
As good and true as any other;  
And still, though broke with age and wine,  
Preserves the token and the sign"

"Wednesday May 27 1741, the house being all taken up, and enjoyed on some publick affairs, there was no lodge held."

"Wednesday July 8<sup>th</sup> 1741, Lodge Night, but the house being fill'd by the members of the General Court, and no possibility of a proper room to hold a Lodge; order'd by our R<sup>t</sup>: Worship<sup>l</sup>: M. that the Brethren be summoned to meet him to-morrow at seven o'clock in the evening being Thursday."

"Wednesday May the 26<sup>th</sup> 1742, being Lodge Night, the following Brethren mett. The R<sup>t</sup>: Worship<sup>l</sup>: Bro<sup>r</sup>: James Forbes M., Bro: Pelham S:W., Bro: Stevenson J:W., 5 Members. This Day being the General Election of the Provinces was the occasion of so thin a Lodge, the house being taken up."

"Wednesday Jany: 8th 1745, being Lodge Night, all business adjourn'd to next Lodge Night by reason of our rooms being taken for a



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publick auction, w<sup>ch</sup> prevents the opening of the Lodge." The Brethren seem not to have lost their time, however, since, although they were thirteen only, the reckoning was £4.6. and the single visitor paid 7/4. One must conclude that the Brethren went not away empty.

"Wednesday Sep<sup>r</sup>. 24<sup>th</sup> 1746, being Lodge Night, a number of Brethren met but by reason of an allarm of a French Fleet the Lodge was not open'd, all bussiness adjourned to next Lodge Night."

The Bunch of Grapes Tavern was situated upon the corner of King, now State, Street and Mackerel Lane, now Kilby Street, just below the Town House of 1724. The New England Bank replaced the Tavern with a plain granite building, and in turn it was displaced by the Exchange Building. Francis Holmes kept the tavern as early as 1712; Rebecca, his widow, in 1726; William Coffin in 1731-33; Edward Lutwych in 1733; Samuel Witherell in 1734-50; Rebecca Coffin in 1760; Col. Joseph Ingersoll in 1764-72; Capt. John Marston in 1775-78; William Foster in 1782; Col. Dudley Coleman in 1783; James Wela in 1789, in which year he removed to Concert Hall; and Thomas Cobbell in 1789. It was the favorite resort of the patriots of Boston prior to the Revolution. Washington, Lafayette, and Stark were entertained here. General Washington entered Boston the day of the evacuation and remained ten days in the town, and a dinner was given to him and his officers in this tavern. The feast of St. John the Evangelist was observed here 1752-1762-1764-1765-1766-1768-1769-1770-1771-1772-1773. The Third Lodge was removed here in 1750, the Second Lodge March 20, 1752, and the Masters' Lodge April 10, 1752. After the summer of 1767 until the breaking out of the Revolution the sessions of the Grand Lodge also were held in this tavern.

The Royal Exchange Tavern, on the southwest corner of Exchange and State Streets, dates back to 1727 and was kept by Luke Vardy, a member of the First Lodge, and a noted tavern keeper, and who came from London. The site subsequently was occupied by the Columbian Bank building, and now by that of the Merchants National Bank. In 1735 the First Lodge was removed here by leave of the Grand Master, and on the 15th of Feb., 1750, the Second Lodge was held in the same place. On "Friday April ye 13th 1750" a quarterly communication of the Grand Lodge was held here, R. W. Thomas Oxnard presiding. From this date to that of Jan. 27, 1775, inclusive, 151 meetings took place. The records designate the place of 85 of these meetings at the Royal Exchange Tavern. The feast of St. John the Evangelist was observed in the Royal Exchange Tavern in 1751, 1758, and 1759.

Concert Hall, a tavern kept in 1792 by Jume Vila, on the southeast corner of Hanover and Court, then Queen, Streets, was a brick building,

erected in 1752, and torn down in 1869 to widen Hanover Street. Before the Revolution it was the resort of the Friends of Liberty; and as early as 1755, after the installation of Jeremy Gridley as Grand Master of the Masons of North America, it was used by the Grand Lodge for its meetings. The First Lodge met here from 1755 to 1792. The principal hall in the second story was 60 by 30 feet and was admired for its architecture. Here Price, Hope, Oxnard, Tomlinson, McDaniel, Gridley, Rowe, and many others presided; and many occasions of historic interest are connected with this tavern. The feast of St. John the Evangelist was observed in Concert Hall in 1756. Oct. 28, 1763, an offer to sell Concert Hall to the Grand Lodge was considered here and November 23, 1768, the installation of John Rowe as Grand Master took place here. The Grand Lodge contemplated purchasing it again in 1767 from Gilbert Deblois who offered to sell it for £1000 sterling. After the loss before November 3, 1818, of the apartments in the Exchange Coffee House the Grand Lodge met in Concert Hall.

The Grey Hound Tavern was in Roxbury where now stands the heater-formed building at the corner of Washington and Warren Streets. The festival of St. John the Baptist was celebrated here in 1752-53-54-55-56-57-58-61-64-67-68 and 70.

### EXPENSES

This custom of meeting in taverns made it necessary that the brethren should assess themselves to meet the expenses of their entertainment. "Wednesday the 10th Jan<sup>y</sup>: 1738, being Lodge Night the following Brethren mett Rt. Wpfull Bro<sup>r</sup>: Benj<sup>a</sup> Hallowell, Master p<sup>d</sup> 20/ Rt. Wpfull Bro<sup>r</sup>: James Gordon D. G. M. p<sup>d</sup> 20/ Bror. Henry Price p<sup>d</sup> 20/ Bror. Bowman Bror: Thomas Oxnard pd. 20/ Bror: Fra<sup>s</sup>: Beteilhe pd. 20/ and others.

The records always contain a list of the Brethren present at each meeting, with a statement of the receipts and expenditures, and "Reckoning" or tavern bill constituting one of the principal items of the latter.

### FESTIVALS

Our brethren were careful to observe the Masonic festivals.

"Decr. 5733. Nothing further remarkable happen'd this year only the celebration of the anniversary of St. John the Evangelist after the manner of Masons when our Rt. Worshl. Bror. Mr. Jas Gordon was chosen Master of the Lodge."

"5734 June 24, being the anniversary of St. John the Baptist the

Brethren celebrated the Feast in due manner and form, and chose our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Mr. Frederick Hamilton Master of the Lodge."

"Decr. 27, being the Festival of St. John the Evangelist it was celebrated in due form and manner, when Our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Hamilton was continued Master of the Lodge."

"5735. June 24. The Festival of St. John the Baptist was celebrated as usual; our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Mr. Jas Gordon re-elected Master of the Lodge."

In this Year the Lodge was moved to the Royal Exchange Tavern in King Street by leave from the Rt. Worshl. Grand Master for sufficient reasons then advanced by the Brethren.

"5735. Dec. 27, being the Festival of St. John the Evangelist, it was celebrated as usual. The Rt. Worshl. Bro. Mr. James Gordon appointed D.G.M. by Our Rt. Worshl. Grand Master Mr. Price; The Rt. Worshl. Bro. Capt. McLean chosen Master of the Lodge."

"5736. June 24, being St. John the Baptists Day the Brethren celebrated the Anniversary in a very handsome manner according to the custom among Masons, having the honour of Governour Belchers Company and sundry other Bros. of note at Dinner. All the Grand officers continued, Our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Mr. Tomlinson chose Master of the Lodge."

"5736. Dec. 27 was celebrated as usual the Festival of St. John the Evangelist. Our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Mr. Robt. Tomlinson appointed D.G. M. by our Rt. Worshl. Grand Master Mr. Price and our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Mr. Thomas Oxnard was chosen Master of the Lodge."

In St. John's Grand Lodge records, here follows (5737, Ap. 20) "Rt. Worshl. Bro. Mr. Robt. Tomlinson Rec'd his Commission as Grand Master of North America in the Room of Our Rt. Worl. Grand Master Price who Resign'd."

"5737. June 24, being the Festival of St. John the Baptist, the Brethren celebrated it as usual and our Rt. Worshl. Grand Master Mr. Tomlinson appointed the Rt. Worshl. Mr. Hugh McDaniel D.G.M. Our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Mr. Thomas Oxnard was continued Master of the Lodge."

"Dec. 27, being St. John the Evangelist Day, it was celebrated as usual when Our Rt. Worshl. Grand Master Mr. Tomlinson reappointed our Rt. Worshl. Bror. Mr. Jas Gordon D.G.M. Our Rt. Worshipful Bror. Mr. Oxnard continued Master of the Lodge."

"5738. June 24, the Festival of St. John ye Baptist, was celebrated as usual and the Brethren din'd together; and our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Mr. Benj. Hallowell was chosen Master of the Lodge."

"Decr. 27, the Festival of St. John the Evangelist was celebrated as

usual and our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Mr. Benj. Hallowell was continued Master of ye Lodge."

"Thursday Decem<sup>r</sup> the 27<sup>th</sup> 1739, being the Feast of St. John the Evangelist, the same was celebrated by a great number of Brethren, in the Lodge in a most polite & elegant manner; with that beauty and harmony of parts, so peculiar to the Ancient and Hon<sup>ble</sup>: Craft."

"Monday December the 29<sup>th</sup> 1740, the Rt: Worship<sup>l</sup>: Bro: Thomas Oxnard D.G.M. and a great number of the Brethren mett in this Lodge; when was celebrated the Feast of St. John the Evangelist, a very handsome supper was prepared by the Stewards appointment; and the whole entertainment of the evening conducted and carried on in the utmost perfection."

"Nov. 25, 1741, the Lodge being open'd, Voted that the Brethren be summon'd to attend our Rt. W. Mast. on Fryday next, at six oclock. First To consider and determine upon the manner and order for celebrating the Festival of St. John, 2d. To enquire of the members the reason of their non attendance, etc., 3d To come into some method that the house may not be a suffered by such Lodges as we have had for some time past."

"D<sup>r</sup>: The Procession on St. Johns Festival

1739	To Luke Vardy his Bills	£107 6 9
June 26.	To Trumpets Kettle drums and other Materials, &c.	} 53 11 0
1742		
Dec <sup>r</sup> : 15	To L. Vardy for y <sup>e</sup> Com <sup>ee</sup>	9 2
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Boston Dec<sup>r</sup>: the 15<sup>th</sup>: 1742

Errors Excepted for the

Com<sup>e</sup>; Peter Pelham Sec<sup>r</sup>:"

"Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup>. 27<sup>th</sup> 1749, being the Festival of St. John the Evangelist, the Brethren attended Divine Service at Christ Church where was a sermon preach'd by our Reverend Bro. Chas. Brockwell very suitable to the occasion, after which they repair'd in procession to Bro. Stones and celebrated the day in an elegant manner; with true Masonic decorum and order."

The sermon was printed here and reprinted in England. It was in ridicule of this celebration that Joseph Green wrote his well known lampoon entitled "A Winter Evening's Entertainment."





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Diary of John Rowe: Dec. 27, 1764. Dined with the Brethren of St. John's Lodge at which were present the following Brethren. 41 members —names given.

### CANDIDATES

Candidates were proposed then as now in open lodge. So we find in the records that February 28, 1738, "Bror: Fra<sup>s</sup>. Beteilhe proposed Capt. Alex<sup>r</sup> Delavaux as a Candidate;" that on "Wednesday the 14th March 1738, being Lodge Night, Capt. Alex<sup>r</sup>. DeLavaux who was last lodge Night proposed a Candidate was this night balleted in accordingly;" and that on "Wednesday the 28th March 1738, being Lodge night, Capt: Alex<sup>r</sup>: DeLavaux who had stood proposed a candidate to be made a Mason, was conducted by Bro<sup>r</sup>: Beteilhe into the Lodge and made in due manner & form."

"Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May 1739, being Lodge night, Bro. Alex<sup>r</sup>: Woodrope proposed Cap<sup>t</sup>: William Morris as a Candidate and paid 40/." "Tuesday the 15th day of May 1739, being a by Night by appointm<sup>t</sup>, the Lodge being opened, our R<sup>t</sup>: W:pfull M<sup>r</sup>: ordered the Candidate Cap<sup>t</sup>: Morris to be bro<sup>r</sup>: up which accordingly was done, and after the usual ceremonies was made a Mason in due manner & form."

"Wednesday the 27th of June, being Lodge Night, our R<sup>t</sup>. W:pfull Master proposed the following Gentl<sup>m</sup>: as Candidates, Capt: Jeremiah Jones, Mr. Robert Jenkins, M<sup>r</sup>. Wallis, and Bro<sup>r</sup>: Tho<sup>s</sup>: Phillips proposed M<sup>r</sup>: John Phillips & M<sup>r</sup>: Jon<sup>a</sup>. Simpson as Candidates, Bror: Peter Prescott proposed himself a member and was accordingly voted in & paid 20/."

"Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> of July 1739, being Lodge night, Cap<sup>t</sup>: Jeremiah Jones, M<sup>r</sup>: Robert Jenkins, M<sup>r</sup>: Wallis, M<sup>r</sup>: John Phillips, & M<sup>r</sup>: Jonathan Simpson Candidates balleted in accordingly."

"Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup> of July 1739, the Lodge being opened they admitted Bro<sup>r</sup>: Pringle, Bro<sup>r</sup>: Akins, Bro<sup>r</sup>: Dewy, Bro<sup>r</sup>: Nepper, Bro<sup>r</sup>: Jenkins, & Bro<sup>r</sup>: Wallis, who proposed themselves members & paid each 20/."

"Wednesday March 26: 1740, being Lodge night Bro. Farrel proposed Cap<sup>t</sup>: Tho<sup>s</sup>: Durfy and Mr. John Webster candidates."

"Thursday April 3<sup>d</sup>, being a By-Night, John Webster & Durfee candidates were balleted for and made in due manner and form"

"Wednesday April 9th 1740, the R.W. Master Bro. Hugh McDaniel propos'd and nominated Mr. Box, (Rope Makr.) a candidate."

"Wednesday July 23d. 1740, the Lodge being open'd, Cap<sup>t</sup>. John Furney was proposed a Candidate, by our R<sup>t</sup>: W: M., and by dispensa-

tion from our R<sup>t</sup>: W:D:G: Mas<sup>t</sup>: the M. & Ward<sup>s</sup>: of this Lodge (in consideration of his being obliged to leive the Province very soon) was balloted in; and conducted into the Lodge and made a Mason in due form.

Rob<sup>t</sup>. Charles, John Box, & John Row, made Masons and also accepted as Members."

"Wednesday Septem<sup>r</sup>: 10<sup>th</sup> 1740, being Lodge Night, Bro: Waghorne propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>: Sam<sup>l</sup>: Waterhouse a Candidate and by dispensation (on acct. of his being oblig'd to leive the Province soon) was ballotted in, and made a Mason."

"Wednesday Octo<sup>r</sup>: the 8<sup>th</sup> 1740, being Lodge Night, Cap<sup>t</sup>: Patrick Tracy as a Candidate, and was unanimously ballotted in, and made a Mason, in due form and also a member of the Lodge."

"Wednesday November the 12<sup>th</sup> 1740, the Lodge being open'd, Bro: Hall propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>: George Ladain as a candidate and deposited 40/."

"Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup> 26 1740, being Lodge Night, Cap<sup>t</sup>: George Ladain made a Mason, also accepted as a member of the Lodge."

"Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup>: 10<sup>th</sup> 1740, being Lodge Night, Bro: Row proposed Cap<sup>t</sup>: Edw<sup>d</sup>: Oliver a candidate."

Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup>: the 24<sup>th</sup> 1740, being Lodge Night, Cap<sup>t</sup>: Edward Oliver ballotted in & made a Mason in due Form."

"Wednesday February the 11th 1741, being Lodge Night, Cap<sup>t</sup>: Tho<sup>s</sup>: Dunster Cap<sup>t</sup>: Tho<sup>s</sup>: Lechford & M<sup>r</sup>. Peter Cade proposed Candidates. Cap<sup>t</sup>: Rob<sup>t</sup>. Rand proposed Candidate."

"Wednesday February the 25 1741. The Lodge opened, Cap<sup>t</sup>: Tho<sup>s</sup>: Dunster, Mr. Peter Cade, & Capt. Rand made Masons—also accepted as Members."

"Wednesday November 11<sup>th</sup> 1741, the Lodge being open'd Bro: George Ruggles was accepted as a Member and paid 20/"

"Wednesday Janna: 13<sup>th</sup>: 1741, the Lodge being opened, Bro<sup>r</sup>: Hal-  
lowell propos'd as a Candidate Tho<sup>s</sup>: Kilby Esq<sup>r</sup>:

Bro: Vardy propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>: Samuel Rhodes & M<sup>r</sup>: Benj<sup>n</sup>. Marlow—

Bro<sup>r</sup>: H. Price propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>: Price

Bro<sup>r</sup>: Box propos'd M<sup>r</sup>: Bagnell Irish."

"Wednesday January the 27th 1741, being Lodge Night, Bro: Sam<sup>l</sup>: Rhodes Bro: Benja Marlow, Bro: Charles Price, Bro: Bagnell Irish made this Night."

"Monday June 28<sup>th</sup> 1742, the Brethren met by virtue of a summons. M<sup>r</sup>: H: Lawrence of South Carolina made a Mason in due form. In consideration of his paying the reckoning which amounted to £16 it was voted by the brethren that the gloves being 25 pair be paid by the treasury £9. 7.6."

"Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup> 1743, being Lodge Night, Bro: C. Phillips propos'd M<sup>r</sup>: Joseph Murry of Mary Land a Candidate."

"Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup> 1743, being Lodge Night, M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Murry & M<sup>r</sup>: Edw<sup>d</sup> Lewis made Masons in due form."

"Wednesday May the 25<sup>th</sup> being Lodge Night the Lodge being open'd Bro: H: M<sup>c</sup>Daniel propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. John Shannon a Candidate & acknowl-edg'd to have rec'd the premium of 40/"

"Wednesday June the 8<sup>th</sup> 1743, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, the Brethren pres<sup>t</sup>. ballotted in Cap<sup>t</sup>: John Shannon."

"Wednesday June 22<sup>d</sup> 1743, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, the Candidate Cap<sup>t</sup>: John Shannon made a Mason in due form."

"Wednesday July 13<sup>th</sup> 1743, being Lodge Night, Bro: Vardy propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. John Ives a Candidate."

"Wednesday October the 12<sup>th</sup> 1743, the Lodge being open'd, Bro<sup>r</sup>: Price propos'd as a Candidate Doct<sup>r</sup>: Edward Ellis."

"Wednesday October 26 1743, being Lodge Night, Doct<sup>r</sup>: Edward Ellis was this night ballotted in Nemen: Con:"

"Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup>: 9<sup>th</sup> 1743, the Lodge being Open'd, Doct<sup>r</sup>: Edw<sup>d</sup>: Ellis was introduced and after the usual ceremonies was made a Mason in due form."

"Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup>. 23<sup>d</sup> 1743, being Lodge Night, Bro: Vardy propos'd a Candidate Cap<sup>t</sup>: John Boutin, and by dispensation was ballotted in Nemen: Con: and made a Mason in due form."

"Wednesday April 11<sup>th</sup> 1744, the Lodge being open'd, Bro. Audibert propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. Rich<sup>d</sup>: White as a Candidate."

"Wednesday April 25<sup>th</sup> 1744, the Lodge being open'd, the Candidate Cap<sup>t</sup>: Richard White was ballotted in the affirmative. Nemen. Con:"

"Wednesday May y<sup>e</sup>: 9<sup>th</sup> 1744, being Lodge Night, Cap<sup>t</sup>: Rich<sup>d</sup>: White made a Mason."

"Wednesday August 8<sup>th</sup> 1744, being Lodge Night, Bro. Price proposed M<sup>r</sup>: Charles Pelham as a Candidate who was presented to the Society for a Secretary, our Secret<sup>y</sup> desiring leave to withdraw from that office; when it was motion'd that the S<sup>d</sup>: Candidate be ballotted for next lodge night."

"Wednesday Aug<sup>t</sup>: 22<sup>d</sup> 1744, the Lodge being open'd, the Candidate Charles Pelham was ballotted in Nemeni Contra:"

"Wednesday Sep<sup>t</sup>: y<sup>e</sup>: 12<sup>th</sup> 1744, the Lodge being open'd, the Candidate Charles Pelham attending was introduced and, after the Ceremonies usual, was made a Mason in due form."

"Wednesday October the 10<sup>th</sup> 1744, the Lodge being open'd, Brother Henry Price propos'd Capt. Delabraz as a Candidate and acquainted the



Lodge that he was a gentleman who being a prisoner of war was thereby reduced, but as he might be serviceable (when at home) to any Bro. who Providence might cast in his way, it was desir'd he might be excus'd the expence of his making, provided each Bro. would contribute his cloathing, which the R<sup>t</sup>: Worsh<sup>l</sup>: Mas<sup>r</sup>: was pleas'd to put to vote when it was carried in affirmative & by dispensation from the R<sup>t</sup>: W: Mas<sup>r</sup>: & Ward<sup>n</sup>: upon acc<sup>t</sup>. of his leaving the Province very soon, he was ballotted in, introduced, & made a Mason in due form. Bro. P. Pelham, that the Sec<sup>r</sup>: grant Bro: Delabraz a letter of recommendation."

"Wednesday June 26<sup>th</sup> 1745, being Lodge Night, Bro. Pue propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>: Hewetson as a Candidate."

"Monday July y<sup>e</sup>: 1<sup>st</sup>: 1745, being a By Night appointed for the mak<sup>g</sup>: Mess: Dan<sup>t</sup>: Byles & JN: Hewetson were made Masons."

"Wednesday July 10<sup>th</sup>: 1745, being Lodge Night Bro. M<sup>c</sup>Daniel propos'd Capt: Rich<sup>d</sup>: Smith a Candidate and upon acco<sup>t</sup>: of his being a Transient Person he was unanimously ballotted in, and made a Mason."

"Wednesday Aug<sup>t</sup>: 14<sup>th</sup>: 1745, being Lodge Night, Bro. Price propos'd M<sup>r</sup>. P. P. S. Paul and Bro. Audibert propos'd M<sup>r</sup>. Auton: D. Laboulardree as Candidates & were ballotted in, and by reason the Candidates were but sojourners they were made Masons in due form."

"Wednesday April 23<sup>d</sup>: 1746, being Lodge Night, M<sup>r</sup>: Rob<sup>t</sup>: Williams (Baker) a Candidate."

"Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup> 1746, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Mr. Rob<sup>t</sup>. Williams was unanimously ballotted in."

"Wednesday May 29<sup>th</sup> 1746, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, the Candidate M<sup>r</sup>: Rob<sup>t</sup>: Williams attending was introduced and in due form Made a Mason."

"Wednesday Oct<sup>r</sup>: 8<sup>th</sup>: 1746, being Lodge Night, Bro. Holbrook propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>: Jos. Sherburn Jun<sup>r</sup>: as Candidate. By dispensation unanimously ballotted in."

"Wednesday Octo<sup>r</sup>: 22<sup>d</sup>: 1746, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Bro. Holbrook proposed Cap<sup>t</sup>: John Bradford a Candidate."

"Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup>: 12<sup>th</sup>: 1746, being Lodge Night, Capt. John Bradford and Cap<sup>t</sup>. Jos. Sherburn were made Masons."

"Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup>: 24<sup>th</sup> 1746, being Lodge Night, Bro. Price propo'd Cap<sup>t</sup>: W<sup>m</sup>: Day & was ballotted in."

"Wednesday Jan<sup>y</sup>. 14<sup>th</sup> 1747, being Lodge Night, Bro. Price proposed Newcomin Herbert, And<sup>w</sup>. Irwin, And<sup>w</sup>: Dure, Joseph Aberry, as Candidates & Bro: Jenkins proposed M<sup>r</sup>. Estes Hatch and upon consideration of their speedy departure it was agreed to proceed to ballot for

the above Candidates when, all passing unanimously in the affirmative, made Masons in due form."

"Wednesday Jan<sup>y</sup>: 28<sup>th</sup> 1747, being Lodge Night, Capt. W<sup>m</sup>. Day made a Mason."

"Wednesday June 24<sup>th</sup> 1747, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Bro. M<sup>c</sup>Kenzie propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. Archibald Grayham."

"Wednesday July 8<sup>th</sup> 1747, being Lodge Night, the Candidate Cap<sup>t</sup>. Grayham unanimously ballotted in."

"Wednesday July 22<sup>d</sup>. 1747, being Lodge Night, Cap<sup>t</sup>: Archibald Grayham made a Mason."

"Wednesday October 28<sup>th</sup> 1747, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open, Brother Brockwell propos'd the Revd. Mr. Alexr. Malcolm a Candidate."

"Wednesday Novr. 25<sup>th</sup> 1747, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open, Bro. Malcolm was unanimously ballotted in."

"Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup>: 9<sup>th</sup> 1747, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Bro. M<sup>c</sup>Daniel propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. Eneas Mackay."

"Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup>: 23<sup>d</sup> 1747, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open, The Candidate Cap<sup>t</sup>. Mackay Ballotted unanimously in the affirmative."

"Wednesday Jan<sup>y</sup>. 13<sup>th</sup> 1748, being Lodge Night, Rev<sup>d</sup>. Mr. Alx<sup>r</sup>. Malcolm Cap<sup>t</sup>. Eneas Mackay made Masons."

"Wednesday Jan<sup>y</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 1748, being Lodge Night, Bro Rowe propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. William Norris & Bro. M<sup>c</sup>Kenzie propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. Thos. Bogle & Cap<sup>t</sup>. Pat: Montgomery who being all oblig'd very soon to depart, it was desired they might be ballotted for, which granted from the Chair, by dispensation were introduc'd with usual ceremony & made Masons in due form."

"Wednesday Feb<sup>y</sup>: 24<sup>th</sup>: 1748, being Lodge Night, Bro. Bowers propos'd Capt. Paul Binney, and by dispensation was ballotted in, introduced and made a Mason in due form."

"Wednesday May 11<sup>th</sup> 1748, being Lodge Night, Jeremiah Gridley, Esq<sup>r</sup>. introduc'd and made a Mason in due form."

"Wednesday May 25 1748, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Bro. Withered propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. John James."

"Wednesday June y<sup>e</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1748, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, the Candidate Cap<sup>t</sup>. John James was unanimously ballotted in."

"Wednesday June 22<sup>d</sup> 1748, being Lodge Night, Bro. M<sup>c</sup>Kenzie proposed Cap<sup>t</sup>: Mich<sup>l</sup>. Buttler. Cap<sup>t</sup>. John James made a Mason."

"Wednesday July 13<sup>th</sup> 1748, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open, Cap<sup>t</sup>. Michael Buttler was unanimously ballotted in. Bro. H. Withered propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. Chris<sup>r</sup>. Mardenbrough."

"Wednesday July 27<sup>th</sup> 1748, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, the Candidate Cap<sup>t</sup>. Mich<sup>l</sup>. Buttler was introduc'd with the usual ceremony and made a Mason in due manner and form. Cap<sup>t</sup>. Chris<sup>r</sup>: Mardenbrough unanimously ballotted in."

"Wednesday Octo<sup>r</sup>: 12<sup>th</sup>: 1748, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open, Bro. Price propos'd Doctr. Jon<sup>a</sup>. Fuller."

"Wednesday Octo<sup>r</sup>: 25<sup>th</sup> 1748, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd the Candidate M<sup>r</sup>. Jon<sup>a</sup>: Fuller was ballotted in and being a transient person was introduc'd and in due form made a Mason."

"Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup>: 28<sup>th</sup> 1748, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Voted that Brother John Addams have a Letter of Recommendation."

"Wednesday Jan<sup>y</sup>: 11<sup>th</sup> 1749, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Bro. Price propos'd Cap Benj<sup>a</sup> Stoddard."

"Wednesday Jan<sup>y</sup>: 25<sup>th</sup>: 1749, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Bro. Price propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. Elias D'Larne. The Candidates Cap<sup>t</sup>. Benj<sup>a</sup> Stoddard, Cap<sup>t</sup>. Peter M<sup>c</sup>Taggart, and Cap<sup>t</sup>. Elias D'Larne were unanimously ballotted in."

"Wednesday Feb<sup>y</sup> 8<sup>th</sup>: 1749, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, the Candidates Cap<sup>t</sup>. Stoddard Cap<sup>t</sup>. M<sup>c</sup>Taggart & Cap<sup>t</sup>. D'Larne attending were introduc'd and made Masons in due form with the usual ceremonies."

"Wednesday April y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 1749, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Our R<sup>t</sup>: Worsh<sup>l</sup>. Bro. Rowe propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. James Euing."

"Wednesday April 26 1749, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, the Candidate Capt. James Euing was unanimously ballotted in."

"Wednesday May 10<sup>th</sup> 1749, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, the Candidate Capt. Ja<sup>s</sup>. Euing was introduc'd with the usual ceremony & made in due form."

"Wednesday July 26<sup>th</sup> 1749, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Bro. Bayard propos'd M<sup>r</sup>. Paul Douxsaint & he was ballotted in & made a Mason in due form."

"Wednesday Sep<sup>t</sup>: y<sup>e</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 1749, being Lodge Night, Bro. Boutin pro: Cap<sup>t</sup>. John Bennett."

"Wednesday Octo<sup>r</sup>: 11<sup>th</sup>. 1749, being Lodge Night, Bro. Edm. Quincy voted a member. Bro. M<sup>c</sup>Kenzie propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. Ben: Clifford. Cap<sup>t</sup>. Bennett & Cap<sup>t</sup>. Clifford were unanimously ballotted in, & made Masons in due form."

EDMUND QUINCY was born in 1703, the eldest son of Edmund Quincy. He graduated from Harvard College in 1722. He was Judge of the Court of Common Pleas. His fourth child, Edmund, was Worshipful



Master of the Second Lodge and in 1762 Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge.

"Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup>: 8<sup>th</sup> 1749, being Lodge n'ight, Bro. Rowe propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. Ja<sup>s</sup>. Bruce & he Ws. Unanimously Ballotted in & made a Mason in due form."

"Fryday Dec<sup>r</sup>. 22 1749, being a By Night, by virtue of Our Rt. Worsh<sup>l</sup>. Masters Summ<sup>s</sup>. the Lodge being open'd, Bro. Powers propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. Gilbert Faulkner, ballotted in & by dispensation introduced and made a Mason n due form."

"Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup>. 27<sup>th</sup> 1749, being lodge night, the Lodge being open d, Bro. Power propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. Alex<sup>r</sup>. Stewart. Bro. Oliver propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. Bothaw."

"Wednesday Feb<sup>y</sup> y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> 1750, being lodge night, the Lodge being open'd, Bro<sup>r</sup>. Oliver propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. Richard Watts, who being a stranger was ballotted in. Bro. McKeay propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. Hugh Purdie."

Bro. Oliver is ANDREW OLIVER, who received his degrees in 1740. He graduated from Harvard College in 1724, June 20, 1728, married Mary, daughter of Hon. Thomas Fitch, by whom he had three children, and after her death, 26 Nov., 1732, he married Mary, daughter of Wm. Sanford, 5 July, 1733, by whom he had 14 children. He was Lieut. Gov. of Massachusetts in 1771. He held the office of distributor of stamps under the stamp act, and his house near Oliver Street was entered, his furniture was destroyed, the windows were broken, and the fences were pulled down, by the people. He immediately resigned his office. His brother, Peter, who received his degrees in 1749, was born March 17, 1713, fifth child of Daniel Oliver. July 5, 1733, he married a daughter of William Clarke, by whom he had 6 children. He was appointed chief justice of the Superior Court of Judicature of the Province of Massachusetts Bay in 1771 and left Boston with the King's troops. He died in Birmingham in England October 13, 1791.

"Wednesday Octob<sup>r</sup>. 10<sup>th</sup>. 1750, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Bro. Hallowell propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. Alexander."

"Wednesday Octo<sup>r</sup>. 24<sup>th</sup>. 1750, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, ballotted for Cap<sup>t</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. Alexander who pass'd in the affirmative Nem: Con: and upon consideration of his being a transcient person, he was introduc'd and made a Mason in due form."

"Wednesday March y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup>: 1752, being Lodge Night, James Otis admitted a Mem<sup>r</sup>. p Vote & pd. 20/"

"Wednesday Sep<sup>t</sup>. 20<sup>th</sup> 17 2, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open, Voted that Bro. Doc<sup>t</sup>. Allen should have a Letter of Recommendation."



"Wednesday March 28<sup>th</sup> 1753, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Voted that Our Rev<sup>d</sup>. Bro. Brockwell be a member of this Lodge & intituled to all the privileges of a Mem<sup>r</sup>. without paying Quarterages."

"Wednesday Aug<sup>t</sup>. 22 1753, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Bro. Bayard propos'd Capt. Henry Richardson. By Dispensation ballotted in, introduced, and made a Mason in due form."

"Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup>. 12<sup>th</sup> 1753, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Bro. Tyler propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. Maney."

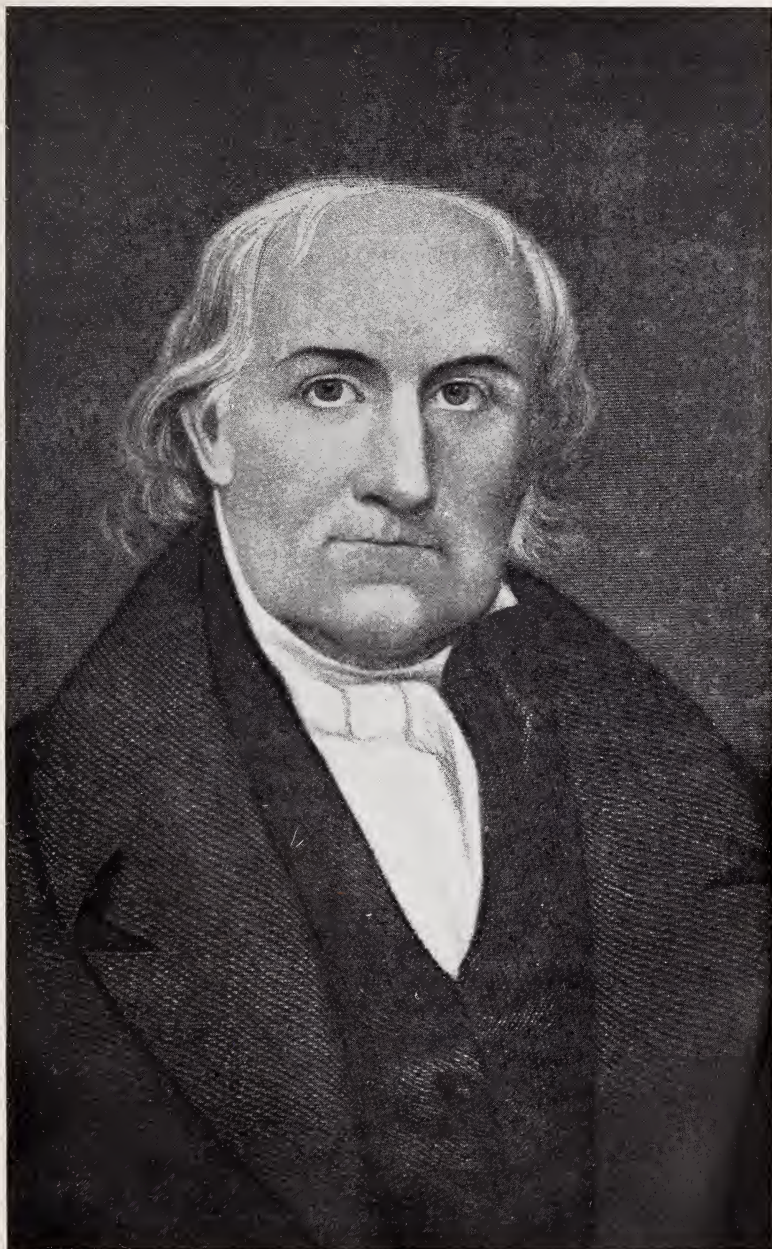
"Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup>. 26<sup>th</sup> 1753, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Cap<sup>t</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. Maney was unanimously ballotted in & made a Mason."

"Wednesday Feb<sup>y</sup>. 13<sup>th</sup> 1754, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Bro. Stow propos'd Cap<sup>t</sup>: JN<sup>o</sup>. Hall; Bro. Leverett propos'd Capt. George Briggs."

"Wednesday Feb<sup>y</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 1754, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, Cap<sup>t</sup>. JN<sup>o</sup>. Hall unanimously ballotted in being a transcient person, introduc'd and made a Mason in due form."

"Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup> 1754, being Lodge Night, the Lodge being open'd, the Candidate Cap<sup>t</sup>. Geo. Briggs made a Mason in due form."

**COMMODORE SAMUEL TUCKER** who received his degrees in the First Lodge No. 1 Jan. 30, 1779, was born in Marblehead Nov. 1, 1747, being the third child of Andrew & Mary (Belcher) Tucker. He was commissioned as commander of the Franklyn Jan. 20, 1776, and the following year was commander of the Boston, his commission being dated at Philadelphia March 15, 1777. In this frigate he conveyed John Adams, as envoy to France, together with his son John Quincy Adams, sailing from Nantasket Roads Feb. 17, 1778, and arriving in Bordeaux in France March 31 following. Upon his return he occupied a dwelling on Fleet Street, and in 1792 he bought a farm in Bristol, Maine, whither he removed and resided the remainder of his life. He was a member of the Massachusetts Legislature 1814 to 1818, was elected twice to the Legislature of Maine, and was a delegate to the convention which framed the Constitution of Maine. December 20, 1820, the Electoral College of Maine appointed him a special messenger to carry its votes for President and Vice-President to Washington and, being recognized as one of the few naval heroes of the Revolution, he was admitted to the floor of the House of Representatives. He had received the unanimous vote of Congress for his valiant services. He captured 62 vessels, 600 cannon, and 3,000 prisoners of war during the Revolution. He was given a pension by



COMMODORE SAMUEL TUCKER



Congress of \$600 a year. He died in Bremen, Maine, March 10, 1833. In the cemetery of the town is a slab bearing the following inscription:—

IN MEMORY OF  
COM. SAMUEL TUCKER,  
WHO DIED  
MARCH 10, 1833  
A PATRIOT OF THE REVOLUTION.

Another brother who received his degrees in the First Lodge during the period for which its records are missing is Adino Paddock, who was made a Mason in 1761. He was a coach maker and lived in Bumstead Place. The name of Long Acre was given by him to that part of Tremont Street which is between School and Winter Streets. He imported and planted a row of English elms on the sidewalk between Park Street Church and the Granary Burying Ground gate, which grew to an immense size before they were cut down. In 1774 he was Captain of the train of artillery belonging to the Boston regiment of which John Erving, Jr., was Colonel. He left Boston with the British troops and his estate fell into the hands of Bumstead, also a coach maker.



## THE SECOND LODGE

Very little is known of the origin of the Second Lodge in Boston except that we find in the records: "5749 Feb. 15. Our Rt. Worshl. Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, and Grand Wardens, Constitute (in due Form with the usual Solemnity) a Lodge to be held at the Royal Exchange Tavern in Boston, on the Third Thursday in every month, and appointed Rt. Worshl. Mr. Henry Price first Master. This was the Second Lodge in Boston." No records of meetings appear to have been found earlier than December 21, 1761. Nevertheless its Masters and Wardens were in attendance at all the Quarterly Communications of the Grand Lodge, during the intervening years, and it appears, in the records of the Grand Lodge: "The Second Lodge removed to the Bunch of Grapes Tavern March 20th 1752."

Journal of the Proceedings of the 2<sup>d</sup>. Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons Commencing 1761. R<sup>t</sup>. Whp<sup>l</sup>, Arch<sup>d</sup>. McNeil Master

John Box jun <sup>r</sup> .	} Wardens
Isaac Gridley jun <sup>r</sup> .	
John Box Treas <sup>r</sup> .	
Theo. Browne Sec <sup>r</sup> .	

### MEMBERS

Robert Jenkins D. G. M.	Joseph Henderson
James Forbes G. T.	Samuel Vans
Hugh McDaniel	Henry Leddle
John Cutler	William Baut
Ezekiel Price	Samuel Blodgett
W <sup>m</sup> . Lee Perkins	Arch <sup>d</sup> . McNiel M.
Nath <sup>l</sup> . Abraham	John Box jun <sup>r</sup> . S. W.
Richard Billings	Thomas Brown
Richard Salter	James Flagg
Samuel Barrett	Philip Dumaresq
And <sup>w</sup> . McKenzie	John Box T.
Edmund Quincy	John Gould jun <sup>r</sup> .
William Jackson	Samuel Fitch
James Jackson	John Sparhawk

Edward Church  
 And<sup>w</sup>. Cagneau  
 John Derrington  
 William Tyng  
 Richard Gridley  
 Thomas Dawes  
 William Craft  
 Leonard Jarvis Jun<sup>r</sup>.  
 Samuel Swift  
 John Bradford

Nath<sup>l</sup>. Hurd  
 Thomas Fleet  
 Samuel Quincy  
 William Belcher  
 Christopher Clark  
 John Head  
 John Rowe Esq<sup>r</sup>. D. G. M.  
 Joseph Miller  
 Stephen Parker

47 Members."

Thenceforward from this date the meetings were held regularly, and at first in the British Coffee House, R. W. Jeremiah Gridley, Grand Master, R. W. Henry Price, the first Grand Master and also the first Master of the Second Lodge, and other Grand Officers, usually being in attendance.

Richard Gridley, named in the above list of members, a brother of Jeremiah Gridley, became a member of the First Lodge in 1745 and its Master in 1757. He was a famous engineer and artilleryist of Colonial and Revolutionary times. He planned the fortification upon Governor's Island and Castle Island in Boston Harbor, at Gloucester, the Kennebec River, and at Halifax. He was at Louisburg with Pepperell and was entrusted by him with the plan of its reduction. It surrendered in 1745. He was engineer of the Colonial Army in 1755 and was with Gen. Winslow at Crown Point in 1756, and planned the fortifications there and on Lake George. He was with General Wolfe on the Plains of Abraham and the capture of Quebec in 1759. He laid out the defence at Bunker Hill the night before the battle and narrowly escaped capture. He constructed the fortifications upon Dorchester Heights, which caused the British forces to evacuate Boston March 17, 1776. He was commissioned Major General of the Army of the Revolution and made commander of the Artillery Sept. 20, 1775. In 1781 he retired to his country home in Canton, Massachusetts, where he died June 20, 1796, aged 86 years, 5 months, and 17 days. His remains were buried upon his farm, as the town authorities thought that his being a convert to the teachings of Rev. John Murray on Universal Salvation ought to keep his remains from the town burial ground. About 30 years ago an addition to the old burial ground was laid out by the town and the remains of General Gridley were exhumed and placed in a box under a large granite monument.

He married Hannah Deming Feb. 25, 1730 and had six children.

THOMAS DAWES was born in Boston Aug. 5, 1731, and died in Boston Jan. 2, 1809, aged 78 years, and was buried in a tomb in the King's

Chapel Ground. A large granite monument with an inscription was erected to his memory. He was a distinguished architect, a member of the legislature from 1776 for several years, and an elector at the first three elections of President of the United States.

The British Coffee House was an inn, standing on the site now numbered 66 upon State Street, and was kept by Mr. Ballard. It was in this inn that the assault on James Otis was made by John Robinson. In 1761 the Grand Lodge Met at "Bro. Ballards at the British Coffee House." The festival of St. John the Baptist was celebrated here in 1762. The festival of St. John the Evangelist was celebrated here in 1760 and 1761. Here also were held the quarterly communications of Oct. 26, 1764, and Jan. 27, 1769; and that of Sept. 11, 1767, to make arrangements for the funeral of the "Grand Master Hon. Jeremy Gridley."

The first record of work is "At a Meeting of the 2d Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons at the British Coffee House, on the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1762, Mr. Edward Church was unanimously Ballotted in to be made a Mason."

"July 21-1762, this evening being Lodge Night, first in the Quarter, some of the members met at the British Coffee House; but not a sufficient number to open the Lodge; the preceding day being Commencement at Cambridge."

"At a Meeting of the 2d Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons at the British Coffee House 18th April 1764, Visitors 3

James Thomas	}	Connecticut
Philip Turner		
John Coates Leeds in Yorkshire."		

The records of the "Special Lodge Held at the British Coffee House in Boston Decem<sup>r</sup>. 23<sup>d</sup> 5766," and of "a Meeting of the Second Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons at the British Coffee House 21<sup>st</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup>. 1767," and of a Meeting of the Second Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons at the British Coffee House February 18 5767" and of "a Meeting of the Second Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons at the British Coffee House Boston March 18 5767," name among the brethren present "Abraham Savage M. 1<sup>st</sup> Lodge," being within the period of the missing records of the First Lodge and proof of its continued existence.

Subsequently Brother Savage became Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge and his name is recorded in both capacities among those present at the "Meetings of the Second Lodge at the British Coffee House in Boston N. E." June 17, 5767, August 19, 1767, when John Cutler of the First Lodge also was present, and Sept. 16, 1767.

"At the Second Lodge held at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern on Wednes-

day the 2<sup>d</sup>. December 1774, Voted that a Special Lodge be called upon this night, Fortnight, to take under consideration sundry proposals made by the First Lodge which were read this Evening."

"At a Special Meeting of the Second Lodge at the Royal Exchange Tavern on Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup>. 1775, the proposals from the First Lodge in writing, being duely taken into consideration and freely debated on Article by Article, were unanimously approved of and agreed to be put into execution, when the First Lodge shall ratify the same."

"At a Second Lodge held at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern Boston August 9<sup>th</sup> 1772 Bro. Benj<sup>n</sup>. Church beg<sup>d</sup> leave to resign his office as Junior Warden of the Lodge he being soon to be appointed Master of the New Lodge Rising Sun. Accepted."

"At a Second Lodge held at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern on Wednesday 16 Dec<sup>r</sup>. 1772 Bro. James Otis re-admitted to the Lodge."

"At the Second Lodge held at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 1773" among the members present was Joseph Webb.

At a Special Meeting of the Second Lodge at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern on Thursday the 16 February 1775

#### Present

Richard Salter M.		Benj <sup>a</sup> . Jackson
William Jackson	} Wardens	Edward Carnes
Job Prince		Abraham Savage
John Cutler T.		Nath <sup>l</sup> . Patten
Thomas Brown Sec <sup>y</sup> .		Thomas Knight
Arch <sup>d</sup> . M <sup>c</sup> Neill		James Selkrig
John Box		Scarb <sup>o</sup> . Gridley."

Bro. Brown, the secretary, like many of the other members of the First and Second Lodges, was a Loyalist. At least twenty of them are named in the Act passed Sept. 1778 "to prevent the return to this state of certain persons therein named, and others, who have left this State, or either of the United States, and joined the enemies thereof." When the evacuation of Boston by the British took place he sought refuge in Halifax, taking with him the volumes of records on which he then was engaged. There is no reason to suspect Bro. Brown of any sinister motive in carrying away the records. He probably had no choice between that course and abandoning them altogether. One year after peace was concluded he writes to Grand Master John Rowe, as follows:

"Halifax, Oct. 18-1784.

Sir: On September I received your letter bearing date August 20, but my present business namely School-keeping, has prevented my replying



till this time and do now acquaint you that I have in my possession a bound book of records, a large silver seal, the Secretarys jewell, and collar, a subscription book, and a file of papers all belonging to the Grand Lodge under your jurisdiction which I brought from Boston while in the office of Grand Secretary; and do assure you that considering the antiquity of the Records, and the usefulness of the Seal and Jewell, to your Grand Lodge, am surprised that no earlier application has been made to me respecting them. For my own part, I view them as consequential matters, and unfit to be trusted in the hands of any indifferent man, and no other to my knowledge has appeared here from Boston, since your request reached me. I am ready and willing to deliver the Articles to any person properly authorized, either by the Grand Lodge or yourself, to receive them and give me a receipt for them.

Inclosed is my account with the Grand Lodge by which you will find a ballance of £3.9.10. lawful Money due me as Grand Secretary, which is strictly just and which I think the Lodge can have no reasonable objection against discharging immediately, and which I, as a faithful, laborious steward in my late office, have a right to expect, and my present circumstances urge for, and shall depend upon its being done by the person who may be authorized to call on me for the articles you request

I have also a bound book of By-Laws and a bound book of Records, the property of the Second Lodge, which I am willing to deliver with the other matters, if requested—

I am With all due Respect, Sir,

Your Most humble Servant

Tho. Brown

John Rowe Esq.”

In the Grand Lodge record, upon the very next page to the last entry by Bro. Brown, is the report of “A Meeting of Members of the Grand Lodge” held on the 17th February, 1787, to make arrangements for the funeral of Grand Master Rowe. The next record is of a Meeting held at the Bunch of Grapes on the 4th of August, 1787, at which a committee was appointed “to transact the prudential affairs of this Lodge” and the Treasurer was “directed to pay into their hands, the sum which may be due to Thomas Brown, late Secretary of this Lodge, and of any other expences which they may be at in obtaining from him the Books, Papers, and Jewells in his hands belonging to the Lodge.”

Upon the eleventh day of December, 1780, there was held a “Half Century Masonic Reminiscence at a Meeting of the Second Lodge of St. Johns held at Concert Hall.”

## THE THIRD LODGE

"March 7. 5749. Our Rt. Worshl. Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, and Grand Wardens, constituted (with the usual solemnity in due form) a Lodge to be held at the White Horse Tavern in Boston on the First and Third Wednesdays in every month, and appointed the Rt. W. Mr. Peter Pelham first Master."

"5750 Feb. 6. The Lodge of ye White Horse remov'd to the Bunch of Grapes in King Street."

We know little more of this lodge except that the records of the Grand Lodge show the regular attendance of its Masters and Wardens for several of the ensuing years.

The White Horse Tavern was in the South End where Hayward Place now is. Its landlord in 1760-64 was Joseph North.

## THE RISING SUN LODGE

“At the Grand Lodge Quarterly Communication held at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern in Boston on Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> day of July 5772 the Grand Master communicated to the Lodge a petition from eighteen members of St. John’s Lodge in Boston praying to be embodied into a distinct Lodge by the name of the Rising Sun Lodge, when, after considerable debate, it was agreed that the Grand Master should grant them a deputation agreeable thereto, under such changes as the Constitution requires; and that he would inform them to prepare themselves for that purpose by September next.” The petition reads:

“To the Right Worshipful John Rowe Esqr. Grand Master of Masons for North America.

We the Subscribers duly admitted and regular members of the Lodge of St. John’s in Boston, New England, humbly beg leave to intreat the indulgence of our Right Worshipful Grand Master that he would be pleased to grant a deputation under the Seal of the Grand Lodge embodying the brethren who have subscribed to this petition into a distinct Lodge under the denomination of the Rising Sun Lodge to be convened the First Wednesday in every month, or oftener if the exigencies of the Lodge shall require, at the British Coffee House in King street Boston, New England.

And we beg leave further to address the Right Worshipful Grand Master entreating him that he would be pleased to appoint our Brother Benjamin Church jun<sup>r</sup>. the Right Worshipful Master of the Rising Sun Lodge for the remainder of this, and the year ensuing, with all the Powers, Privileges, Honours, and Distinctions, with which it has been usual for you and your Right Worshipful Predecessors to invest any Brother whom they have been pleased to elevate to the Sacred Chair.

We are encouraged to hope the acquiescence of our Right Worshipful Grand Master in this request as our principal motive is to promote brotherly love and charity and to restore that harmony and good fellowship which is the distinguishing ornament of the Craft and to recover

to Masonry that estimation among mankind so generous and laudable an establishment was originally calculated to obtain and secure.

And your Petitioners as in duty bound shall ever pray.

Boston New England 22<sup>d</sup> June 1772

Benj<sup>a</sup>. Church Jun<sup>r</sup>.

John Flemming

Jacob M<sup>c</sup>Daniel

Geo. Spooner

Matthew Hutchins

Eben<sup>r</sup>. Bridgham

William Jones

Sam<sup>l</sup>. Lloyd

Rob<sup>t</sup>. Williams

Nath<sup>l</sup>. Balch

Nath. Abraham

Benj<sup>a</sup>. Lorring

Jos. Russell

William Gooch

William Charles H. Reijnsdorf

Ben: Jackson

JN<sup>o</sup>. Gray

Sam Barrett''

Their charter bears date "the 10th Day of August A.D. 1772 and of Masonry 5772.

By the Grand Masters  
Command

Rich<sup>d</sup>. Gridley, D.G.M.  
JN<sup>o</sup>. Cutler Sen<sup>r</sup>. G.W.  
Abr<sup>m</sup>. Savage Jun<sup>r</sup>. G.W."

The Masters and Wardens thereafter attended the communications of the Grand Lodge. After nearly twenty years of separate existence the brethren desired to return to the Mother Lodge and therefore presented to the Grand Lodge the petition:

"To the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of St. Johns in Boston, Right Worshipful Brethren.

At a Special Lodge of the Rising Sun held at Brother Colmans on Friday the 11th Inst. it was unanimously Voted, that a memorial be presented to the Grand Lodge praying that their Lodge may be incorporated with the other Lodges of St. Johns, & that Brothers John Flemming, Amos Windship, Dudley Colman, Lewis Hayt, & Thomas Farington, be a Committee, to draw up, sign & present the same.

We therefore the Committee above named knowing, and being fully assured, that the Lodge have only in view the good of Masonry in general (in the proposed union), the promotion and enlargement of Brotherly Love and Charity, do in consequence of the power vested in us solicit the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master to summons, as soon as conveniently may be, a Grand Lodge for the purpose of taking this our request into consideration, and agreeable to true Masonic principles to



unite us with the Lodges of St. Johns in such manner & under such regulations, as they in their wisdom shall deem most proper and most conducive to the purposes herein mentioned

Boston This 15th day }  
Of Novem<sup>r</sup>. 5791 }

John Flemming }  
Dudley Colman } Committee"  
Lewis Hayt }  
Thos. Farrington }

"At a Grand Lodge of St. John held at Bunch of Grapes in Boston November 25, 5791, a petition was received from the Rising Sun Lodge praying to be united with St. Johns. The Grand Lodge, takeing the same into consideration, It was Voted to grant the prayer of the petition & to admit all the regular members of that Lodge to be members of St. Johns, and that the charter & jewels be deposited with our Senior Warden, John Cutler Esq<sup>r</sup>.

Voted That the Secretary furnish R. Wf. John Flemming, Master of the Rising Sun Lodge, with a copy of this vote & request him to warn the brethren of that Lodge to meet with St. John's Lodge at this place on Wednesday next preceeding the Festival of St. John at 6 oClock in evening, at which time the officers will be chosen for the insuing year & to transact any other business which may come regularly before the Lodge."

## THE MASTERS' LODGE

**REGULATIONS** for a Masters' Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons to be held at the Sun Tavern, being at present the House of Bro. Andrew Halliburton, (durante placito) upon the first Tuesday in every month at six of the clock in the evening.

**FIRST** The Proper Officers to be Elected

A Master

A Sen<sup>r</sup>. & Jun<sup>r</sup> Warden

Two Stewards

A Secretary

A Tyler

} and to enjoy their severall  
} offices during the  
} space of six months

**SECONDLY** The Sen<sup>r</sup> Steward to be Treasurer and the Jun<sup>r</sup> Steward to keep an Acc<sup>t</sup> of Expences so that the Master & Wardens shall not be interrupted in their business

3<sup>dly</sup>. No Brother to be raised Master unless he goes throu the Fellow-Craft's Work to the approbation of this Lodge, and such examination to be performed the Lodge night before such candidate is to be ballotted and raised (always reserving an unanimous vote of the Lodge to the contrary). And such candidate to pay Forty Shillings into the hands of the Sen<sup>r</sup>. Steward.

4<sup>thly</sup>. Each Brother who desires to become a member of this Lodge shall pay down into the hands of the Sen<sup>r</sup>. Steward Twenty Shillings toward defraying the expence of the jewells & all other necessary ornaments for this Lodge.

5<sup>thly</sup>. Every member shall pay fifteen shillings a quarter, and every visitor seven shillings & six pence for the night. And such visitor is not admitted to be cloathed in this Lodge.

6<sup>thly</sup>. The Sen<sup>r</sup> Steward shall make a demand of the visiting money: and receive the same before the Lodge is closed.

7<sup>thly</sup>. No brother dwelling in this Town to be admitted in this Lodge: unless he be a Member of one or more Regular Lodge or Lodges in this Town.

8<sup>thly</sup>. Neither of the Stewards shall resign their office unless they first deliver up to the Master & Wardens of this Lodge a fair & true ac-

count of what cash they have receiv<sup>d</sup> & paid, by the authority of their said Office, to the satisfaction of this Lodge.

And if in case of one or both of the Stewards (who are elected to serve in said Office for six months) any special cause shall arise within that time which may induce the Lodge to discharge one or both of them of that trust upon their timely representing the same and accompanying to the acceptance of the Lodge, they shall be discharged, and the Lodge to fill up said vacancy by unanimous vote.

9<sup>thly</sup>. No Motion, Application, Memorial, or Petition, to the Chair, nor any matter regulating the proceedings of the Lodge upon offering the same to be determined immediately: but a certain day to be then sett & fix'd for ye discussion thereof at the discretion of the Members then present that received the Same.

10th. That every member shall pay his quarteridge upon the first night of the quarter, and that the Secretary give due notice thereof the Lodge night before such payment is to be made.

WE the Subscribers Being a Committee appointed to make Regulations for the M's Lodge Have accordingly Met this Day the 22<sup>d</sup> Decem<sup>r</sup> 5738 and do Offer the Above Regulations to the Consideration of the Lodge.

= Benj. Hallowell  
 = Thomas Oxnard  
 = John Overing"

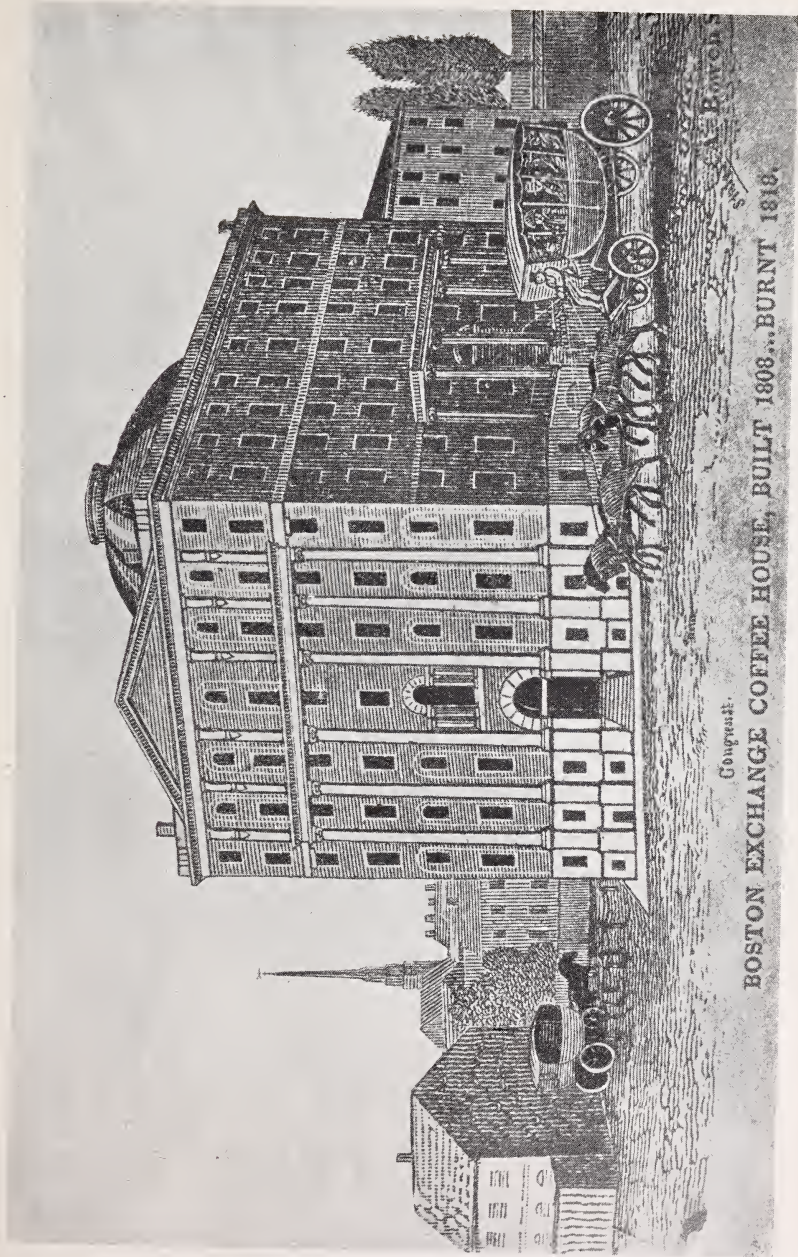
"Tuesday the 2d January A: D: 1739, the Lodge being opened, our Right Wpfull M. ordered the reading of the foregoing regulations, which accordingly was read and after a due examination it was voted unanimously that the said regulations be duely & strictly observed by all the Members of this Lodge. And our due return of thanks be offered to our Worthy Brethren of the Committee for their care and good attention therein.

Which was accordingly done in due form."

"Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> Feb'y. A: D: 1738, Bro<sup>r</sup>. George Moncrieff, desireing to be raised, was accordingly duely examined and being found a good Mason to our satisfaction was unanimously voted in, and raised a Master in due manner & form."

"Tuesday, the 7th August 1739, the Lodge being Open, Bro<sup>r</sup>. Peter Napper, desireing to be raised, was accordingly examined, and being found a good Fellow-Craft to the satisfaction of the Lodge, was unanimously Voted in, and raised a Master in due manner & form, and paid 30/ for entrance & quarteridge."





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BOSTON EXCHANGE COFFEE HOUSE, BUILT 1803...BURNT 1818.





"Fryday July 6<sup>th</sup>: 1744, voted that, for the six months ensuing, every Bro<sup>r</sup>: present shall pay, Five Shillings each, whither there be a raising or not."

"Fryday August 3<sup>d</sup>: 1744, voted that Bro<sup>rs</sup>: Price & Jenkins, be paid their respective bills as soon as posable with what money is now good to this Lodge."

"Fryday Octo<sup>r</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup>: 1744, no meeting this Night, our R<sup>t</sup>. W: M. and several of the members being out of Town on Extraordinary Business."

"Fryday Jan<sup>y</sup>: 4<sup>th</sup>: 1745, Bro. Stevenson Tylar, and to have 10/ each nights attendance, and oblig'd to summon the Breth<sup>n</sup>: the day before. Voted that Visiting Bro<sup>rs</sup>: pay each Ten Shillings when at the Lodge. Voted that the Stewards and Bro<sup>r</sup>. Johnson be a Committee, to examine and settle the Acco<sup>ts</sup>: of this Lodge."

"Fryday Jan<sup>y</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup>: 1750, being Masters Lodge Night, voted that Our Treas<sup>r</sup>. do give 40/. old Ten<sup>r</sup>. to y<sup>e</sup> Waiter in this house as a present from this Lodge."

"Fryday April 7<sup>th</sup>. 1750, being Masters Lodge night, Voted, that the Treas<sup>r</sup>. supply our Rt. Wors<sup>l</sup>. M. with £10. old T<sup>r</sup>. for Our Constitution, and £2. for Charity, to carry to the Grand Lodge."

"Fryday Octo<sup>r</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup>: 1750, being Lodge night, Voted that the Treas<sup>r</sup>., being our R<sup>t</sup>. Worsh<sup>l</sup>. M., do present at the next Grand Lodge Three Dollars as Charity from this Lodge."

"Fryday Nov<sup>r</sup>: 2<sup>d</sup>. 1750, being Masters Lodge, Bro<sup>r</sup>. Daniel propos'd the R<sup>t</sup>. Hon<sup>ble</sup>. Lord Colvil, Doc<sup>r</sup>. Allen, & M<sup>r</sup>. Ja<sup>s</sup>. Thompson; and Bro. Leverett propos'd M<sup>r</sup>. Daniel Gooking. Voted that the above propos'd gentlemen shall be rais'd Masters, without the previous examination in the Fellow Crafts part, but to be no precedent for future raisings."

"Fryday Jan<sup>y</sup>. 4 1751, being Masters Lodge, the Lodge being open, Bro. Price propos'd Bro. Tho<sup>s</sup>. Kennaway. Voted that the Treas<sup>r</sup>. do supply our R<sup>t</sup>. Wors<sup>l</sup>. Mas<sup>r</sup>. with Six Dollars to present to the Grand Lodge as Charity from this Lodge."

"Fryday Aug<sup>t</sup>: 2 1751, being Masters Lodge, whereas it was motion'd and thought proper that a petition should be preferr'd to the Grand Master of England sign'd by the Master and Wardens of every Lodge in Boston praying the enlargement of our Rt. Wors<sup>l</sup>. Grand Masters power, voted that the Treas<sup>r</sup>. do pay into the hands of the Com<sup>ee</sup>. appointed by the R<sup>t</sup>. Wors<sup>l</sup>. the 1<sup>st</sup>. Lodge for that purpose Three Guineas for this Lodges proportion of the expences that may acruce upon negotiating the affair at Home."

"Fryday Feb<sup>y</sup>: 7<sup>th</sup>. 1752, being Masters Lodge Night, voted that this

Lodge be remov'd from the House of Bro. Stone to the House of Bro: Sam<sup>l</sup>. Withered, y<sup>e</sup>. Sign of the Bunch of Grapes in King street, and that it be held there next Lodge night."

"Fryday Sep<sup>t</sup>: 7<sup>th</sup>: 1753, being Masters Lodge Night, Voted that the Sec<sup>r</sup>: do send a summons to each Mem<sup>r</sup>. of this Lodge, the day before Lodge Night. Voted that the Comm<sup>ee</sup>. appointed to Revise the Laws of this Lodge, do also consider of some method to supply the Lodge with the proper furniture that is wanting."

"WHEREAS a Lodge of Masters was Constituted the 22<sup>d</sup>. of December 5738, whereof our Right Worsh<sup>l</sup>. Bro. Henry Price was appointed the First Master, and whereas by the said Lodge a Committee of Three Viz<sup>t</sup>: the R<sup>t</sup>. Worsh<sup>l</sup>. Bro<sup>rs</sup>. Benjamin Hallowell, Thomas Oxnard, and John Overing Esq<sup>r</sup>., were chosen in order to draw up a body of By-Laws for the future order and government of the said Lodge, which Laws were then thought sufficient, approv'd of, and engrossed in the Lodge Book, for the Rule and Regulation of the said Lodge, but upon the settling of our medium of currency (which was then undetermined and fluctuating) at a stated value, and other intervening incidents, the said Laws have been found not fully to answer their designed ends, THEREFORE upon a motion made to the chair the said Lodge was pleas'd to appoint The Rt. Worsh<sup>l</sup>. Bro<sup>rs</sup>. Cha<sup>s</sup>. Brockwell, Henry Price, Belthazar Bayard, Jeremiah Gridley, and Richard Gridley, as a Committee to supervise, add to, correct, and amend, the said By-Laws, as to them should seem meet, and deliver them the next Lodge Night, for the approbation or amendment of the said Lodge, in obedience to which appointment the said Committee met and having duely consider'd the same now offer their Report as follows, which were voted by the Lodge to be the standing By-Laws of the Lodge and order'd the same to be engrossed in the Book. Viz<sup>t</sup>:

1<sup>st</sup>. The proper Officers to be Elected are

a Master  
Two Wardens  
a Treasurer  
a Secretary  
a Tyler

To enjoy their several Posts Twelve Months; the Junior Warden to keep Acco<sup>t</sup>. of the Reckoning, and be careful that it does not exceed Two Shillings lawful money a night for each Bro<sup>r</sup>. present.

2. No Brother to be rais'd a Master unless he has been a Fellow Craft Twelve Months, and a member of a Lodge in Boston for the same space, and to pay therefor Thirteen Shill<sup>s</sup>. and Four pence lawful money. But, if made in any Lodge that does not regularly communicate with the Grand Lodge in Boston by sending their charity to the Quarterly Com-

munication, then to pay for such raising Twenty Six Shill<sup>s</sup>. and Eight pence lawful money, they having likewise been Fellow Crafts for Twelve Months; and this qualification not to be dispens'd with but by the vote, of at least three fourths of the members then present.

3<sup>d</sup>. Every Member to pay Six Shillings L:M. p. Quarter, and every Visiting Brother Two Shill<sup>s</sup>. p. Night.

4<sup>th</sup>. No Motion, Application, Memorial, or Pettition to the Chair nor any matter relating to the proceedings of the Lodge to be determined immediately, but a certain day at the discretion of the Lodge for discussing the same, unless the occasion require immediate dispatch.

5<sup>th</sup>: The Secretary to send Summons's to the Members at least the day before the Lodge Night.

6<sup>th</sup>. Every Member Shall pay his Quarterage upon the First Night of the quarter, whereof notice to be given in the summons's the day before.

7<sup>th</sup>: Any Member absenting himself from the Lodge Six Months upon re-entering to pay Three Shill<sup>s</sup>. L:M. unless he has been out of the Province, and every Forreign Brother, upon being admitted a Member to pay also Three shillings L.M. besides his Quarterage.

8<sup>th</sup>: The Tyler to be paid One Shilling and Four pence L.M. each night for his attendance at the Lodge, Two Shillings for delivering the summons's, and One Shilling and Four pence from each Brother Rais'd in the Lodge.

Charles Brockwell	}	Committee."
Henry Price		
Belthazar Bayard		
Jer: Gridley		
Rich <sup>d</sup> . Gridley		

"Fryday April 5<sup>th</sup>: 1754, being Masters Lodge Night, Voted, that as we have not any stock, our R<sup>t</sup>. Worsh<sup>l</sup>. Mas<sup>r</sup>. do beg the Grand Lodge to excuse our not sending Charity."

"Fryday Dec<sup>r</sup>. 4<sup>th</sup>. 1761, voted that Bro<sup>r</sup>: Jenkins, Bro<sup>r</sup>. Williams, & Bro<sup>r</sup>: Price, be a Committee to consider what shall be allowed Bro<sup>r</sup>: Walley for his trouble in posting up the Lodge Books which were behind hand when he was chosen Secretary."

"Fryday April 2<sup>d</sup>, 1762, being Masters Lodge night, Bro<sup>r</sup>. Blodget attended, was examined, unanimously voted to be rais'd a Mast<sup>r</sup> & was accordingly rais'd and paid. Voted that, for one Quarter from this time, each present member at each meeting shall pay his Clubb, the Reck. & Tyler for that evening, in the room of paying Quarteridge. Bro<sup>rs</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> Brown, Tho. Thayes, Levy Jennings, Moses Pitcher, Bartholo<sup>w</sup> Ballard & William Sheppard propos'd to be rais'd."



"Fryday, Nov<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1762, being Masters Lodge, Bro<sup>r</sup> William Jackson, who stood a candidate was unanimously voted to be rais'd a Master Mason & was rais'd in due form. The Lodge voted that the sum of Forty Eight Shillings be paid Bro<sup>r</sup> Walley for his past services agreeable to the award of Committee w<sup>ch</sup> were appointed for that purpose."

"Fryday, 6<sup>th</sup> Decb<sup>r</sup> 5765, being Masters Lodge Night, this being the Lodge preceding S<sup>t</sup> John the Evangelist, our R<sup>t</sup> Worsh<sup>l</sup> Master propos'd Bro. Abram Savage to succeed him as Master of this Lodge the ensuing Six Months who was accordingly ballotted in as such, and appointed Br<sup>o</sup> Joye S<sup>r</sup> Warden and Br<sup>o</sup> Wheelwright Jun. Warden. He propos'd Br<sup>o</sup> Gardner as Treasurer of the Lodge who ballotted in accordingly, Br<sup>o</sup> Lenox was unanimously chosen Tyler for the year ensuing. . . . Br<sup>o</sup> McNeal propos'd Br<sup>o</sup> Nath Patten and Br<sup>o</sup> Fleet propos'd Christ<sup>r</sup> Clark, both to be rais'd Masters."

"Fryday, 2<sup>d</sup> January 5767, 1<sup>st</sup> in the Quarter, being Masters Lodge Night, Broth. Savage, the Master chosen the last Lodge Night, desired to resign that office on acco<sup>t</sup> of his having the care of the first Lodge & a further appointment of the Grand Lodge, therefore nominated the R<sup>t</sup> Wor<sup>l</sup> Broth. John Cutler, Past Master of the Second Lodge, to succeed him for the year ensuing who was afterward unanimously ballotted in & invested in due form."

"Fryday February 5<sup>th</sup> 1768, the Lodge being desirous that the instalment of our Grand Master Elect may be both decent & hon<sup>ble</sup>., voted that the Master & Treasurer be appointed to provide a new sett of jewells &c. as may be necessary for that purpose."

"Fryday Evening April 1768, voted that a Brother who is son of a Mason has no right to be rais'd before another who has been made a Mason before him."

"At a Master's Lodge held in Concert Hall January 16<sup>th</sup>. 1781 B<sup>r</sup>: William Burbeck, being propos'd for Master the ensuing year, Brother Prince inform'd the lodge that it was Brother Burbeck's desire they would proceed to a new choice, it being out of his power to serve. "B<sup>r</sup>: Burbeck not being present, the lodge were Satisfy'd, with what was said, and made choice of B<sup>r</sup>: Nat<sup>l</sup>. Patten as their Master."

"At a Masters Lodge held Jan<sup>y</sup>. 15 5783, voted that B<sup>rs</sup>: Seth Reed, Aratenatus Moore, John Cathcart, Lemon, Bartley, Mervina, be rais'd to the Sublime Degree — & they were accordingly."

## SAINT JOHN'S LODGE

In the year 1783 a petition to the Grand Lodge was presented by John Cutler, Nath<sup>l</sup>. Patten, Job Prince, W<sup>m</sup>. Burbeck, and Mungo Mackay, a committee on behalf of the First and Second Lodges of St. John, showing that it had been inconvenient for them to meet in their respective capacities, that it would be for the benefit of Masonry that they be united in one Lodge, and that they would resign all powers by which they acted in those separate capacities, being desirous to form a complete and independent union. They, therefore, prayed that they, with such others as might think proper to join them, might be erected and constituted a regular Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, under the name, title, and designation of St. John's Lodge, and that Brother Nath<sup>l</sup>. Patten be appointed their Master. This petition appearing to the Grand Master as tending to the advancement of Ancient Masonry and the general good of the Craft, he granted the prayer thereof, and invested the Brethren named and their associates with all the powers and privileges of a regular Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

### "PREAMBLE.

At a Meeting of St. John's Lodge at Concert Hall, on Friday 14th Day of November 1783, a Committee of three Brethren viz<sup>t</sup>: Right Worshipfull Brothers John Cutler & Nath<sup>l</sup>. Patten Esq<sup>r</sup>. & Brother Samuel Parkman were appointed to revise the By-Laws for the future government of this Lodge. The Committee having mett and taken into consideration the business of their appointment report as follows.

### FIRST.

That the last Wednesday in every month be the Stated Meeting of this Lodge.

### SECOND.

This Lodge of St. John, under the jurisdiction of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, shall not exceed forty members, officers included; all of whom shall be Master Masons. . . . In case of a vacancy by the decease, removal, or exclusion, of a Member, a Brother made in the Lodge shall have the preference, who shall be one month proposed before he is ballotted for; and may be admitted if not more than three nega-

tives appear unless those who negative, at the request of the Master, give satisfactory reasons to the Lodge for his being rejected; if more negatives appear he is not to be balloted for again. Every Candidate made in this Lodge, on becoming a Member, is to pay Eighteen Shillings, but if Made under any other Lodge shall pay Thirty Six Shillings.

#### THIRD.

That annually on the Lodge evening preceeding the Festival of St. John the Evangelist shall be chosen the officers for the next year; not less than a vote of two thirds of the Members present shall be sufficient to establish the Master & Treasurer; the Master in the Chair may at his option nominate his successor, who, if after election, should decline accepting the office, the nomination to revert to the Lodge, & the person whose name shall first reach the Master's ear after he shall call for a nomination shall be ballotted for, untill one be chosen and accepts. The new Master when in the chair shall select two of the Brethren who shall be Master Masons for his Wardens; whom he shall present to the Lodge for their approbation, which having obtained, the Master shall invest them with their respective jewells; the Lodge shall then proceed to the election of Treasurer, Secretary, Stewards, and Toilers, who must be Master Masons.

#### FOURTH.

A Committee shall be chosen on the night preceeding the choice of officers to inspect & settle the accounts of the Treasurer and Secretary, and lay the same before the Lodge on the night of the choice of officers; the Treasurer that may be chosen for the succeeding year shall call upon his predecessor and demand and receive of him all the property and stock of the Lodge intrusted to him, giving a receipt therefor; and make a regular and exact entry of them in a Book kept for that purpose; he shall likewise give a receipt to the Secretary for all monies he may receive from time to time, making fair records of all his transactions.

#### FIFTH.

The Secretary shall keep in his possession a Lodge Book, into which he shall faithfully record every transaction of the Lodge, and produce the same every Lodge night, for the inspection of the Members — he shall also keep a book in which shall be stated every Members acco<sup>t</sup>; he shall also minute the name of every Member, & Visitor that comes into the Lodge, and record the monies he receives of them against each Member's name in the Lodge Book — he shall fill a summons for each Member & deliver them sealed to the Toiler two days before the Lodge meets, under penalty of forfeiting his fees every evening he is deficient; he shall pay into the

hands of the Treasurer, every evening, all the monies he receives belonging to the Lodge, who shall give a receipt in the Lodge Book therefor; & the Secretary shall before the succeeding evening, deliver a copy of the proceedings to the Treasurer for which duty he shall be exempt from Quarterage & every other expence, & be entitled at the making of a Mason Six Shillings for every Brother admitted, or readmitted a Member three Shillings, for every certificate six Shillings—he must sign the By-Laws to entitle him to vote.

## SIXTH.

The Toilers shall call on the Secretary at least two days before the meeting of the Lodge for the summons and shall leave one at the dwelling house of each Member the day before the Lodge meets. They shall attend the Lodge in proper season & shall be ready to do all manner of duty required of them that relates to the Lodge; for which they shall receive four Shillings & six pence every Lodge night, or other Masonic ceremony; they shall also be entitled each of them at the making of a Mason to 3/ but if they neglect to warn the Members, or refuse doing every duty of the Lodge, they shall forfeit their fees every evening they are deficient.

## SEVENTH.

At the opening of the Lodge when the Brethren are seated the Master shall enquire if any brother has anything to propose to the Lodge, for the benefit of Masonry; that if any proposals are made, they may be debated on, in the course of the evening; Members only are permitted to make proposals, & no Brother to speak more than twice on the same subject, without special leave from the Master, and when speaking shall stand up & address himself to the Chair; no Brother shall interrupt another whilst speaking.

## EIGHTH.

When any Member proposes a candidate to be made a Mason, he shall deposit five Dollars into the hands of the Secretary & if accepted it shall be in part payment for the expence of making; if he does not appear, the money shall be forfeited for the benefit of the Lodge; but if he appears & is rejected, the money to be returned; the Secretary shall not enter the candidate's name on the Lodge Book, till he receives the deposits.

## NINTH.

Every Candidate proposed to be made a Mason if an inhabitant of this Town, shall stand proposed a month before he is balloted for, but a stranger, or one who is obliged to leave the Town, may be admitted the same night, but when ballotted for, if two negatives appear he shall be rejected; if one only appears he shall be balloted for a second time; & if the negative still appears, he shall be referred to the next Lodge night



for further information & may be then admitted at the discretion of the Lodge; unless the Brother who put in the negative gives sufficient reason for his being rejected; Candidates made in a special Lodge shall pay the expence of the evening, over and above the fees for making and no person shall be made a Mason under twenty one years of age.

#### TENTH.

Every accepted candidate shall for his making & crafting pay the sum of fourteen dollars & for raising to the sublime degree the further sum of four dollars, together with the Secretaries & Toilers fees, & any Brother not made in this Lodge, shall on being raised, pay the sum of six dollars.

#### ELEVENTH.

Each member shall pay to the Secretary nine shillings a quarter during his membership, which shall cease on his neglecting to attend or to pay his Quarterage two successive quarters, unless an excuse satisfactory to the Lodge be given; & every visiting Brother shall pay to the Secretary three shillings each visit; no Brother shall depart the Lodge without leave from the Chair, & paying the Secretary his demand.

#### TWELFTH.

Should any Brother behave indecently or unbecoming a Mason by not regarding the Master when he calls to order during the time the Lodge is open, or in the Lodge room after the Lodge is closed, he shall suffer such penalty as the Lodge shall determine; & should he refuse to submit to the decision of the Lodge he shall be excluded until he makes satisfaction; no Brother shall presume to smoke, talk of indifferent matters, or get into private committees, during the time that the Master is admitting a person into any degree of Masonry; and every Brother shall continue in the Lodge room except those appointed by the Master to prepare the candidate; and stand up and behave with decency and good order.

#### THIRTEENTH.

That a certificate be granted by the Secretary to any Brother made in this Lodge, having been passed to the degree of a Fellow Craft, which certificate is to be given under the seal of this Lodge, signed by the Master, Wardens, Treasurer & Secretary; & countersigned by the Grand Secretary, he paying therefor six shillings for the benefit of this Lodge, exclusive of the Secretary's fees, & the cost of the certificate.

#### FOURTEENTH.

The funds of this Lodge shall never be spent on any occasion whatever; the interest only arising therefrom shall be applied to Charitable pur-



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poses, agreeably to the Principles of Masonry; and it shall be the Duty of the Treasurer, at the close of each year, to reserve for that purpose the interest of the preceding year; & should no occasion for the application thereof occur, in the course of the ensuing year, the same shall then be added to and become a part of the funds.

The foregoing By-Laws being read & debated upon were unanimously voted to be By-Laws for the future government of this Lodge."

John Cutler  
 Mungo Mackay  
 John Flumin  
 Ja<sup>s</sup>: Jackson  
 W<sup>m</sup>. Donnison  
 Samuel Parkman  
 Job Prince  
 JN<sup>o</sup>. Deverel  
 Amos Windship  
 Joachim Von Exterr  
 Joshua Thomas  
 William Dix  
 Shubael Bell  
 Elna Hayt  
 Jam<sup>s</sup>. L. Homer  
 James Campbell  
 William Jarvis  
 Geo. Blake  
 Eben<sup>r</sup>. Niles  
 William Aline  
 Thomas Fobes  
 William Reed  
 Abel Wheelock  
 William Baylis  
 Nath<sup>l</sup>. Johnson  
 Asahel Biglow  
 Cornelius Coolidge  
 Francis J. Oliver  
 John Mackay  
 William Morrisy

Samuel Dunn Master  
 Thomas Dennie S.W.  
 William Shaw J.W.  
 Thomas Farrington Sec<sup>y</sup>.  
 John Foster Williams  
 Lewis Hayt  
 Dudley Coleman  
 Lawson Denet  
 Fortunatus Tallen  
 David Everett  
 William Healy  
 Samuel Cogneau  
 John B. Hammatt  
 Charles Clement  
 Francis Welch  
 Tho<sup>s</sup>. Burley  
 John Proctor  
 James Cutler  
 John May Jun<sup>r</sup>.  
 John Russell  
 John Aug. Parkman  
 Eliphalet Hale  
 Jo<sup>s</sup>. Dix  
 David Wier  
 John Ward Gurley  
 Ebenezer Farley  
 John Williams  
 R. G. Shaw  
 Ja<sup>s</sup>. Phillips  
 Samuel Liveridge  
 Davis Whitman

"St. John's Lodge held 21 Nov<sup>r</sup> 5791 at Brother Colmans for the choice of Officers nominate Brother Dennie for Master of this Lodge but



declined. The R. W. Samuel Dunn was then unanimously chosen & Accepted."

"September the 24 5792. The Officers of St. John's Lodge taking into consideration the situation of the Town of Boston relative to the Small Pox have thought fit to postpone the Regular Meeting which was to have been held on Wednesday Evening 26<sup>th</sup> Day of September to the last Wednesday in October next."

"October 29<sup>th</sup> 5792. The Officers of St. John's Lodge have thought fit to postpone their Regular Meeting to the last Wednesday in November next for the same reason as is set forth in the last Record."

"St. John's Lodge held at Concert Hall December 26 5792 R. W. Bro. Samuel Dunn balloted for, and unanimously chosen Master. Brother John Jones & Robert Newman chosen Tilers for the year ensuing with directions for their attending More Strictly to their Duty."

ROBERT NEWMAN was the youngest of four sons of Thomas Newman, a Boston merchant of excellent English descent. From the beginning of the troubles with the mother country the family was strongly patriotic. Their cousin, Isaiah Thomas, was the bold editor of the Massachusetts Spy, and both in his office, which was a rendezvous for the leaders of the day, and in the ranks of the North End mechanics headed by Paul Revere, who had been a schoolmate of the older sons, Robert Newman early became known as a young fellow to be trusted. The constant watch kept upon the British in Boston had convinced the patriots of a movement to be made on the night of the 18th of April (1775); the signals which should send the message to the Charlestown side were agreed upon and Robert Newman, agile, daring and familiar from boyhood with Christ Church (commonly referred to as North Church), was ready for the dangerous task.

That evening he sat quietly at his window waiting, as prearranged, to be secretly notified by a friend outside of the moment to act, when, to divert any suspicion of the English officers quartered upon the family, he took a candle and went to his room, where he climbed out of a back window upon a shed and dropped to the street. He joined his friend, reached the church, climbed the tower in the darkness and made the signals. Then, coming down and leaving the church by a rear window, he gained his chamber as he left it.

He has been described as a brave, ambitious youth, eager to conquer a place in the world despite the changed fortunes of his family, but he was forced by accident while still young to give up all hope of an active life. The post of sexton of Christ Church, taken as a temporary makeshift, became a permanency, with some small offices of a public nature, and he

grew into a serious man whose quiet dignity of manner rarely relaxed except in the society of a few intimate friends, most of whom were men of value in the community. Like many repressed natures, he seems to have been a man of strong attachments, and his chief interests outside of his family were his church and the Masonic fraternity. His nearest friends were Colonel Edward Proctor, a Revolutionary officer and prominent man of affairs, and Henry Fowle, one of the earliest and most prominent members of Knight Templary in Massachusetts.

Brother Newman is buried in tomb No. 27, Copp's Hill Burying Ground, on the Snow Hill street side.

"St. John's Lodge, held at Concert Hall Sept. 25, 1793, Mr. Simeon Wyman was made a Mason, Viz<sup>t</sup>, that he is to serve three years as a Toiler & receive for his services the customary fees for each evening's attendance, if in the course of the time mentioned he shall see fit to pay the customary fees for being made, he shall be excused from further attendance."

"St. John's Lodge held at Concert Hall Jan<sup>y</sup>. 28<sup>th</sup> 1795 Josiah Quincy unanimously elected to be made a Mason."

"St. John's Lodge Concert Hall 25 Jan<sup>y</sup>. 1797, voted that a Committee be appointed to wait on the most Worshipful Grand Master (Paul Revere) to thank him for his polite & fraternal address delivered this evening & to request of him a copy of the same for the Records."

"St John's Lodge September 30<sup>th</sup> 1798, Entered apper Lodge was opened, and on account of the prevailing sickness the Brethren not being able to attend the Lodge was closed until the next Lodge Night."

"St. John's Lodge, held at Concert Hall Jan<sup>y</sup>. 30 1799, Bro. Sam<sup>l</sup>. W. Hunt in the Chair Pro Tem. Upon the reading of a paper proposing the erecting of a Publick Building for Dancing Assemblies, Masonic Lodges &c. Voted that Bros. Tho<sup>s</sup>. Dennie, Br. Sam<sup>l</sup>. W. Hunt, & Br. S. Bell, be a Committee, and they hereby are authorized to subscribe for & in behalf of the Lodge for shares in said Building not exceeding two."

"St. John's Lodge Concert Hall Nov<sup>r</sup>. 27 1799, voted that Br<sup>s</sup>: Dennie, Br. Hunt, & Br. Dunn, be a Committee to confer with Massachusetts Lodge upon the subject of a union with this Lodge."

"St. John's Lodge at Concert Hall Jan<sup>y</sup>. 13 1800, the Committee appointed to confer with Massachusetts Lodge upon the subject of a union with this Lodge, reported that they had had a conference with a Committee of said Lodge, & they were willing to unite with St. John's Lodge on condition that this Lodge will adopt their method of working.

Whereupon.

Voted that, as it would be unconstitutional for this Lodge to relinquish

its present method of working, this Lodge cannot upon any consideration whatever agree to unite with Massachusetts Lodge upon the terms which they have offered.

Voted that on the next regular Lodge night suitable respect in Masonic Style be paid by this Lodge to the Memory of our late Illustrious Brother George Washington, and that a Committee be appointed to make arrangements and, if they think proper, to appoint some suitable person, being a Brother, to deliver an Eulogy upon the occasion, and also to invite some clergyman to attend and take a part in the ceremony. Brothers Bell, Dennie, Johnson, and Hunt, were appointed a Committee for the purpose."

"St. John's Lodge at Concert Hall Tuesday Evening Feby. 4 5800, this being the evening appointed to pay Masonic Honours to the Memory of the Illustrious Washington, the Lodge being opened upon the first step of Masonry, the Chaplain & Orator with the Officers of the Grand Lodge & brethren invited entered the Hall and took their seats. The Rev<sup>d</sup>. Mr. Murray introduced the solemnities of the evening by prayer. An Ode adapted to the occasion was sung by Br. Bowman. The Entered Apprentices Lodge was then closed and after the brethren, who had not received the Sublime Degree, retired to the Ante-Chamber a Masters Lodge was opened and a Masters Toast given from the Chair. The Masters Lodge then closed and the Entered Apprentices Lodge was again opened, the brethren who had retired returned to the Hall and after some refreshment, an elegant and sublime eulogy in honor of the Illustrious Washington was pronounced by Br. George Blake, and several odes & songs were sung by Brothers Eaton, Bowman & Oliver."

"St. John's Lodge Concert Hall March 26 5800, voted that a copy of the Eulogy on the Sublime Virtues of Washington (pronounced in this Lodge by B<sup>r</sup>. George Blake) handsomely bound, together with a Golden Medal, be transmitted to the Grand Lodge of England, accompanied with a handsome address, and that R. W. B<sup>r</sup>. Tho<sup>s</sup>. Dennie, W. M., B<sup>r</sup>'s. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Dunn, R. W. Br<sup>r</sup>. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Parkman, B<sup>r</sup>. Cornelius Coolidge, & B<sup>r</sup>. John Ward Gurley be a committee to form an address and transmit them accordingly."

1800, Dec. 2, "Voted that the Deacons be now chosen, and that at every future annual choice of officers such officers be chosen."

"St. John's Lodge Special at James Vilas, No. 17 Court Street Thursday Evening 15 Nov<sup>r</sup>. 5804, voted that the M. W. Bro. Samuel Dunn, Bro. Shubael Bell, Bro. Rob<sup>t</sup>. G. Shaw, Bro. John Kennedy, Bro. Thomas Burley, Bro. Samuel Nye, & Bro. John May, be a committee to draft and bring forward a plan for the purpose of erecting a Masonic Hall



in Boston and that they be authorized to confer with any persons who may be engaged on any similar occasion and that they report the next Lodge Night."

John May became a member in 1801, was appointed Steward in 1803, and was appointed Marshal in 1804, being the first to hold this office. He was born May 4, 1778, the son of Col. John May, who commanded the First or Suffolk Regiment of Boston in the Revolution. He died March 16, 1823, and was buried in tomb numbered 124 Central Ground on Boston Common March 17, 1823, but his remains were removed to the Samuel & Ephraim May tomb No. 131, same ground, and again removed to the Samuel May lot, Forest Hills Cemetery, in 1853.

"St. John's Lodge, Concert hall Nov. 3 5807, Regular Meeting, Second in Quarter, voted to confer with Mount Lebanon Lodge & ascertain as to the nights of meeting. Also to ascertain the expence at which St. John's Lodge now meet & what will be the probable expence of meeting in Masons Hall & to report at the Next Meeting."

"St. John's Lodge, Concert Hall Dec. 1-5807, Regular Meeting, Second in Quarter, voted that the sash & apron imported by B<sup>r</sup>. Lewis Hunt be considered the uniform of St. John's Lodge & the Members of St. John's Lodge be requested to wear the same."

"St. John's Lodge, Concert Hall Oct. 4 5808, Regular Meeting, First in Quarter, Resolved that St. John's Lodge think it highly derogatory to the character of a good Mason to hold communication with any clandestine Mason and that no person who holds communication with any clandestine Lodge, Chapter, or Association, knowing them to be such, shall be admitted to a seat in St. John's Lodge, and whereas an association of men hold meetings at Roxbury under the title of Washington Incampment & have presumed to rank as Masons and assumed the right of conferring the higher orders of Masonry, to which they are by no means entitled, therefore Resolved that all communication between said Association & the Members of St. John's Lodge be utterly prohibited."

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Buildings April 4 5809, Regular Meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> in Quarter, the subscribers being associated as members of the Washington Encampment at Roxbury for the purpose of conferring various degrees in Masonry in a way & manner which we are now conscious are contrary to the principles and ancient usages of Masonry & totally subversive of the harmony & propriety of the Craft, do most hartly renounce & abandon said association forever, and freely confess this our error and solemnly ingage to conform to the Edicts and Regulations of the Grand Lodge and constitutions of Masonry in future & request to be hereafter to be conduced as intitled to the privileges & hospital-



ities of Masonry & to our ancient standing among faithful Masons & Brethren."

Here follow the names of twenty members of the Washington Encampment.

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Buildings, Celebration of the Festival of Holy St. John by St. John's Lodge Boston June 24th A. L. 5809, the Lodge opened at the Exchange Coffee House at 11 o'clock A. M. and at one o'clock moved in procession to the Kings Chapell where divine service was performed by the R<sup>t</sup>. Wor. and Rev<sup>d</sup>. Bro. Asa Eaton and an appropriate address was delivered by the Worshipful Bro. Shaw."

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Hall, 23 Dec<sup>r</sup>. 1810, on motion from Bro. Hammatt a committee was appointed consisting of R. W. Masters Bro. Bell & Bro. Hammatt to consider the expediency of establishing a Charity Fund in St. John's Lodge & the means proper to effect it."

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Hall, 15<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup>. 5811, R. W. JN<sup>o</sup>. Baker Master, voted that Bro<sup>rs</sup>. Shub<sup>l</sup>. Bell, Ja<sup>s</sup>. Baker & JN<sup>o</sup>. Dixwell be a Committee to present the thanks of the Lodge to the R. W. P. M. Bro. Baker for his meritorious services during his being in the Chair; & request a copy of his address thanking him at the same time for his elegant present of three brazen Candlesticks accompanied with appropriate globular lamps."

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Hall, 5 March 5811, the Committee appointed to take into consideration the expediency of establishing a Charity Fund having attended to that duty begs leave to report that they find the Lodge is now possessed of \$326.66 and that in their opinion it is expedient and will be highly honorable to St. John's Lodge to establish that fund under the name of St. John's Lodge Charity Fund."

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Hall, 2d April 1811, the Treasurer reported that he had received the sum of fifty dollars for the use of the Charity Fund from the managers of the Theatre being the net proceeds of a Benefit Night for that Institution."

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Hall, April 7 5812, on motion made by R. W. Bro. JN<sup>o</sup>. B. Hammatt it was Voted that the name of the donor of the brazen columns be engraved on the same."

"Exchange Hall, 7 May 5812, present the R. W. Master, Wardens, Treasurer & Secretary, Deacons, Stewards, Toiler & Marshal, together with the major part of the Members of St. John's Lodge, The Past Masters & other Brethren with the Chaplain all clothed in the regalia of their order, assembled for the purpose of celebrating the anniversary of the Charity Fund of the Lodge in the Lodge Room at 7 o'Clock P. M. where they formed in procession & proceeded to the Ball Room of the Exchange

Coffee House, where an excellent Oration, written & delivered on the occasion by Bro. John Lathrop Jr., & a concert under the direction of Bro. Hewitt was performed by the Members of the Theatrical Orchestra who kindly volunteered their services for the occasion. The whole appeared to be highly gratifying to a numerous & respectable audience as well as honourable to the fraternity by whom the proceeds was applied to increase a fund established for the benefit of poor & distressed Masons their widows & orphans. The Sum of 200 Dollars was collected & placed in the hands of the Treasurer for the use of the Charity Fund. The Secretary was directed to present the Thanks of the Lodge to Bro. Lathrop for his excellent address & request a copy of the same for the Records of the Lodge.

The Secretary was also directed to present a letter of thanks in behalf of the Lodge to Bro. Hewitt & the several Musical Gentlemen who volunteered their services on the occasion. Also to Mr<sup>s</sup>. Rowson for a Song written by her for the occasion & sung by Mr. Rowson in a masterly stile a copy of which the Secretary is to put on the files of the Lodge & record the same."

Inserted in this volume of records is a newspaper clipping cut from a paper, bearing date May 6, 1812, as follows:

" MASONIC  
CHARITABLE ANNIVERSARY MEETING  
OF  
ST. JOHN'S LODGE

Will be celebrated at the Ball-Room of the Exchange Coffee House in Boston, THIS EVENING, the 6th of May, 1812, with an

ORATION and CONCERT

The Concert under the direction of Br. Hewitt.

The following gentlemen have kindly volunteered their Services

Mr. Hewitt, Leader of the Orchestra, Messrs. Mallet, Drake, Wood, Cavetano, Granger, Senior, Stockwell, Boquet, Drake, Pilkington, Granger, Jr., Bennet, Shaffer, Malley, Jr., Assisted by several Gentlemen Amateurs who have also volunteered their assistance.

## ORDER OF THE PERFORMANCE

Overture	(Zaide)	Winter
Song	(As Burns the Charger)	Shield
To be sung by Mr. DRAKE, accompanied on the Trumpet by an Amateur		
Concerto	(Piano Forte)	Mr. STOCKWELL
Glee	(Glorion; Apollo)	WEBBER
Quartette	(Violia)	Messrs. HEWITT, &c.
New Masonic Song		By an Amateur
written for the occasion		

## ORATION,

By Brother JOHN LATHROP Jun. Esq.

Concertante		PLEYEL
Song	(Masonic)	MR. MALLET
Glee	Red Cross Knights	CALCOTT
Medley Overture		HEWITT
Duet	(All's well)	SHIELD
Minvetto		HAYDEN
Masonic Song	(Hail Masonry)	Chorused

BATTLE OF PRAGUE, accompanied with Trumpet  
and KETTLE Drums

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\* The humane Public in general, and the Members of the Fraternity in particular, are respectfully invited to patronize this Charitable Institution, The Ladies are likewise requested to grace the performance with their presence. Tickets at \$1. each, may be had of C. EDWARDS, Secretary, No. 4 Devonshire Street and at the Bar of the Exchange Coffee House, The Proceeds will be appropriated towards increasing a Charity Fund lately established for the benefit of all worthy and distressed Masons, their Widows and Orphans.

And they who late in silence pined,  
Relief and comfort now shall find.

\*\* The doors will be opened at a quarter before 7, and the performance to commence at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 7 precisely

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## NOTICE TO BRETHREN

S<sup>t</sup>. John's Lodge will be opened in their Lodge Room, at 7 o'clock precisely, and move in procession to the Ball Room at half past 7 o'clock, Officers of Lodges are requested to wear their Jewels.



GENERAL JAMES MILLER





## AN ORIGINAL SONG.

WRITTEN FOR THE ANNIVERSARY MEETING OF  
ST. JOHN'S LODGE  
IN AID OF THEIR CHARITY FUND.

## CHARITY.

When first the Great Architect, Master of all,  
From chaos bade rise this terrestrial ball,  
The chorus of rapture resounded above,  
As he gave the first mandate for union and love.  
Then here let us join, in a strain so divine,  
And ever be ready, determined and steady,  
Our brotherly union a friendship to prove.

Chorus — Then here let us join, &c.

What's Love but a link in the chain from above;  
What's friendship? what's pity? what's mercy? but love,  
And what the great word that conveys all the rest?  
'Tis Charity, ever in blessing twice blest.  
Then here let us join, in a duty divine,  
For Charity ready, determined and steady,  
Still true to the dictates to bless and be blest.

Chorus — Then here let us join, &c.

Who feels this blest impulse, to mortals so dear?  
Who cheers the lone widow; and wipes off the tear?  
Who raises the mourner, the orphan protects?  
'Tis the true loyal Mason, who never neglects  
With fervour to join, in a work so divine,  
With heart and hand ready, united and steady,  
Nor ever the cry of the helpless rejects.

Chorus — With fervour to join, &c.

Say what is the bond by which Masons are join'd  
And what is the motive should rule in the mind?  
'Tis the square of true honor whence none should remove,  
And the unbounded circle of Brotherly Love.  
Then here let us join, the command is divine,  
See ye love one another, as brother loves brother,  
'Tis the test which the faith of true Masons will prove.

Chorus — Then here let us join, &c.

Behold from the sky a bright cherub descends,  
 She calls on her brothers, her fathers, her friends;  
 'Tis Charity; hail her! and freely be given  
 The offering, tho' small, is accepted by Heaven.  
 Then here let us join, 'tis a work most divine,  
 To cheer a sad brother, or poor widowed mother,  
 And fulfils the command by our Greatmaster given.

Chorus — Then here let us join, &c.

Written by Mrs. Susannah Rowson, and sung by her husband, Brother William Rowson of The Massachusetts Lodge."

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Hall, 6 Oct<sup>o</sup>. 5812, the Treasurer reported that he had invested the money belonging to the Charity Fund of the Lodge in United States stock to the amount of two hundred dollars. On motion of R. W. Bro. Swift it was proposed & unanimously agreed to that the Lodge should take six copies of the Masonic Anthology for its use & that each member should subscribe for one copy. On the motion of Bro. Bell it was voted that a committee of two persons should be appointed to collect material for the said Anthology and R. W. Bro<sup>rs</sup> Bell & Dickson were chosen for that duty."

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Hall, Special Meeting, 17 Oct<sup>o</sup> 1812, on motion of R. W. Bro: Bell it was voted that R. W. Bro: Baker be a committee to collect and receive any donation of books offered to the Lodge towards forming a Masonic Library & that the Freemasons' Magazine now in possession of the Lodge shall be half bound & the R. W. Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the expence for doing the same as well as the subscription price for it now due Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Bradford & Read."

"St. John's Lodge, Exch<sup>g</sup>. Hall, Tuesday Ev<sup>g</sup>. July 27<sup>th</sup> 5813, Don Francisco Lopez was made an Entered Apprentice. Bro. Pemius & another Spanish Bro. acted as interpreters between the officers of the Lodge and Don Francisco Lopez, he being unable to speak the English Language."

"St. John's Lodge, Tuesday Evening, Dec<sup>r</sup>. 6 5814, Bro. Gen<sup>l</sup>. James Miller proposed as member of St. John's Lodge."

JAMES MILLER was born in New Hampshire and appointed to the Army therefrom. He was commissioned as Major of the 4th Infantry, 8 July, 1808, as Lt. Colonel of the 5th Infantry, 30 Nov., 1810, as Colonel of the 21<sup>st</sup> Infantry, 9 March, 1814, and as Brigadier General, 25th July, 1814, for distinguished service at Niagara, receiving therefor a gold medal from Congress. Governor of Arkansas 1819-1825. Collector of the port of Salem 1825-1849. Died in Temple, N. H., July 7, 1851.

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Hall, Tuesday Eve<sup>g</sup>. Mar. 14<sup>th</sup> 5815, a communication was received from John Soley Grd. Sec. Grd. Lodge Mass. in regard to prisoners of war in distress. \$30 was appropriated from St. John's Lodge."

"St. John's Lodge, Ex. Hall, Tuesday Evening March 21—5815, Mr. William Meriton an officer of the Royal Navy of Great Britain—dispensation—voted and entered apprentice degree."

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Hall, Sept. 5815, Mr. Manuel Ariaza (Entered apprentice Fellow Craft) Broth. Canera acting as interpreter the candidate being a Spaniard."

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Building, Masons Hall, Tuesday Oct<sup>r</sup>. 5816, Lt. And<sup>w</sup>. Fitz Hugh U. S. N. elected. Lt. W<sup>m</sup>. Berry U. S. N. candidate for election said to be not 21 years old—committee appointed to see about it."

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Coffee House, Masons Hall, February 4—5817, R. W. Charles C. Nichols Master, William Leverett S. W., Wm. G. Hewes J. W., Joshua Simonds Tr. pro tem, B. Huntington Sec. Bro. Rev<sup>d</sup>. Cheever Felch made a member."

WILLIAM A. LEVERETT was admitted to membership in 1813, was Junior Warden in 1816, Senior Warden in 1817, and Worshipful Master in 1819. His descendants presented to the Lodge Monday evening, May 7, 1906, his apron and Past Master's Jewel with an inscription thereon.

"St. John's Lodge, Exchange Buildings, Masons Hall, Mar. 4, 5817, Samuel Eveleth and Capt. Richard Urann—Master Masons made. Bro. P. A. J. P. Jones U. S. A. admitted."

"St. John's Lodge, Masons Hall, Exchange C. House, Boston May 20, 5817. This meeting called for the special purpose of passing & raising Bro. Jose Correa D. Paiva one of the suite of the Minister Plenipotentiary from Pernambuco (S. A.). Bros. Miller & Story were appointed a committee to wait upon the Minister & Suite and inform them that the Lodge was in session and ready to receive them. They were accordingly introduced and rec'd in due form. Bro. Jose Correa D. Paiva who had received the first degree in South America was balloted for and unanimously accepted for the Second and Third degree in the Lodge, a dispensation being granted by the D. G. M. for that purpose, and was passed to Fellow Craft and raised to sublime degree of Master Mason."

"Regular Meeting of St. John's Lodge, Boston, March 3d 5818, Bro. Cyrus Alden and Bro. Alex<sup>t</sup>. Townsden Esq., Adm. Member of Lodge. Mr. Samuel Huntington, a Gentlemen res in Zoernel Hayti, St. Domingo—Dispensation"

"Regular Communication of St. John's Lodge—Masons Hall Ex-



change Coffee House, Boston, Nov. 3d, 5818. Lodge opened on the Entered Apprentice's Degree. Proceeded to initiate Mr. Samuel Dana. While passing through some of the ceremonies the alarm was given that the building, that Grand Structure, the Exchange Coffee House, was on fire which we were soon compelled to believe by the room being filled with smoke. The Lodge was then closed without ceremony and by the time the jewells and some of the most valuable articles of furniture could be saved the building was all in flames. Notwithstanding the Masonic Hall was situated on the sixth story of the building and the roof of the building was all in flames, by the exertions and daring risk of the lives of the members and visitors, most of the valuable property of all the Lodges was saved. This evening was appropriated by St. John's Lodge for the annual visitation of the Grand Lodge which drew a large concourse of visitors to witness the dreadful calamity, who were very active in rescuing the property from destruction. At the time the alarm of fire was given the District D. G. Master & suite were in the visitors' room preparing to visit St. John's Lodge."

The Exchange Coffee House, located in Congress Square, once known by the name of Half Square Court, was a large building seven stories in height, and was completed in 1808 at a cost of half a million dollars. The front of the building was ornamented by a Corinthian pediment. A number of Masonic Lodges occupied the upper stories. It was the leading hotel in the city.

"Annual Meeting of Saint John's Lodge, Boston, Dec<sup>r</sup>. 26th, 5818, the Committee of three members of the Lodge to ascertain the loss by the late fire reported that from the best information in their possession to obtain they value the property lost at the lowest estimate Five hundred & eighty eight Dollars. It consisted of the following effects:

Master's Pedestal & Chair	\$60.00
Altar & Cushion	45.00
Treasurer's & Secretary's Desks	} 30.00
& Pedestals	
Tables, Drapery, Wardens' Pedestals	} 185.00
Lamps, Candlesticks, &c.	
Two dozen chairs,	48.00
Transparences & Floorings,	90.00
3 large candlesticks	30.00
Furniture, Carpets, & Regalia	100.00
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	\$588.00

Saved:

Portraits of Washington & Dunn—Jewells—Book Case—Paintings

of Fellow Craft Degree—Book of Constitutions, Mallets, 2 Wands, Trunk with Records & Charter, and last though not least our two great lights in Masonry with the Compass & Square.

Past Master Charles C. Nichols voted honorary member of St. John's."

"St. John's Lodge—Salem St. Academy, Tuesday Eve—7 o'clock, many members present, also officers of the M. W. G. Lodge assembled to pay respect to our deceased Brother Shubael Bell and one of their Past Wardens & permanent members. A procession was formed and proceeded to Christ Church—Church draped in black. Prayer & services of the evening by our worthy & Rev. Bros. Asa Eaton & Chever Pelch—Eulogy by R. W. Bro. Saml. Le Knapp Esq. Dirge on the Organ by Mr. T. P. Taylor. Members wore crape on left Arm for 30 days."

In 1815 Shubael Bell presented a marble bust of Washington to Christ Church, where it is still in place.

Shubael Bell died May 30, A.D. 1819, aged 53.

"St. John's Lodge, Masons Hall, Ann St. Boston Nov. 7th A.L. 5820, the committee appointed to confer with the committee of other Lodges on the subject of procuring a place for the future meeting of the Masonic Institutions in Boston, report:

The Most Wor. Grand Lodge had hired the upper stories of the Old State House for that purpose at a rent of Six Hundred Dollars per annum on a conditional lease of ten years. Treasurer of M.W.G. Lodge requesting St. John's Lodge to pay Two Hundred Dollars as their proportion for fitting the New Hall in the Old State House. Voted that the committee of finance be authorized to pay to the Grand Lodge the sum assessed on St. John's Lodge."

Masons' Hall was taken down in May 1895.

The first town house was erected on the site of the Old State House in 1657. It was destroyed by fire in 1711; was rebuilt immediately by the Province, County, and Town; and Dec. 9, 1747, again was injured by fire. The second and third stories were rented by the Grand Lodge in 1820 and were dedicated on March 14, 1821. Eleven Masonic bodies met in this building from 1820 to 1830, when the lease was cancelled, as the city desired to occupy it for city business.

"St. John's Lodge (regular) Sept. 7th A.L. 5824, a letter of invitation from the R. W. Master to Gen<sup>l</sup>. Lafayette, in behalf of the Lodge, requesting a visit from him, & his answer were read from the Chair, and the Secretary was directed to place them both upon the records. On motion of Bro. White voted the answer of Gen<sup>l</sup>. Lafayette be preserved in a handsome frame, & suspended in some part of Masons Hall."

Copy of the letter of invitation to the R. W. Marie Paul Joseph Yves Gilbert Mottier de Lafayette, referred to in the preceding Records:

“City of Boston Aug<sup>t</sup>. 25<sup>th</sup> A.L. 5824.

It having been represented to the undersigned the Master of St. John's Lodge that the Ancient Fraternity of Free & Accepted Masons has the honour of enrolling among its members the illustrious name of Lafayette & the officers and Members of said Lodge having expressed their ardent desire to Meet their highly revered and distinguished Brother in the Masonick Sanctuary the Undersigned Most cordially and respectfully invites the Right Worshipful Gen. Lafayette to honour St. John's Lodge With his presence on Saturday evening Next at 8 o Clk. or on any other evening during his stay in this City Which May be More convenient or agreeable to him.

The Undersigned also respectfully informs Gen<sup>l</sup>. Lafayette that St. John's Lodge is the oldest Masonick Institution on this Continent and Was once Visited by his late illustrious Companion in Arms our M. Worshipful Bro. George Washington,

The undersigned begs leave Most respectfully to assure Gen<sup>l</sup>. Lafayette of the esteem, veneration & love, Which he entertains for his person and character.

Signed

Joseph Eveleth

Master of St. John's Lodge.

General Lafayette.”

Copy of Gen. Lafayette's reply:

“Boston Aug<sup>t</sup>. 29 1824

I have an apology to offer to the Venerable Master of the first Lodge on the Continent of America for My not having answered yesterday his Most Kind note. I hope he will do me the justice to think it has been an error not an intentional fault. Happy I would be to be admitted into the presence of the Most Venerable Lodge And while it becomes impossible for me to enjoy this gratification before I leave town Tuesday morning I will avail myself of the Much valued invitation, to solicit that favour, on My return from the Southern States before I leave the American Shore.

I beg the venerable Master to accept My respectful & dutiful acknowledgement.

Signed

Joseph Eveleth Esq<sup>r</sup>.”

Lafayette

“St. John's Lodge, Boston Oct'. 5 A.L. 5824, R.W. Brother White, Chairman of a Committee appointed at the last meeting of the Lodge to get the answer of Gen<sup>l</sup>. Lafayette to the invitation of the Lodge framed, reported that the committee had fulfilled their duty & the answer so framed was suspended in the Hall.”

“St. John's Lodge Feb. 1 A.L. 5825, the R.W. Master read the following letter:

R. W. Master

In addition to that respect which St. John's Lodge has been pleased to manifest towards our distinguished Brother Gen<sup>l</sup>. Lafayette by inviting him to partake of their friendship & hospitality and the very happy & acceptable manner which he was pleased to reply to it, I beg leave to offer as a further testimony of the high sense we entertain of him, as a Mason, a Christian & a Patriot & for all those virtues for which he is so eminently distinguished, that St. John's Lodge, the most ancient & first chartered Lodge in the United States of America, do admit receive & acknowledge him as an Honorary Member. Also move that a Special Committee be appointed to communicate the same and request his acceptance of the honour intended him.

Yours Affy.

C. C. Nichols.

This proposition being sustained by the Lodge the following Brethren were nominated & appointed by the Chair as the committee: The R.W. Master Joseph Eveleth, Francis J. Oliver, Esq., John Dixwell, C. Nichols, & Ferdinand E. White, P. Masters.”

“Regular, St. John's Lodge, June 7 A. L. 5825, In consequence of an invitation from the Chair the Committee chosen to communicate the vote of Honorary Membership of Gen. Lafayette were charged to ascertain when it will be convenient for him to honour St. John's Lodge With a visit, & to make the necessary arrangements for his reception in such an event. It was proposed by the Chair, & voted To add two more members to the Committee to communicate with Gen<sup>l</sup>. Lafayette & the R. W. Master nominated the Secy. Tho<sup>s</sup>. Payson & the W. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Eveleth.”

“Copy of a Certificate of Honorary Membership presented by the Committee of St. John's Lodge to General Lafayette agreeable to a vote passed by the Lodge Feb<sup>y</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup>. A. L. 5825.

To all the Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons throughout the World, Greeting,



Be it Made Known by these Presents That at a regular Meeting of St. John's Lodge, held at Masons Hall in Boston, United States of America, on the evening of Feb<sup>y</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup>. Anna Lucis 5825, it Was unanimously Voted.

That in consideration of the sentiment of cordial affection for his person, profound veneration for his character, lively gratitude for his services, and deep sympathy for his sacrifices and sufferings in the cause of humanity cherished by the officers and members of Saint John's Lodge towards their R. W. Brother the Illustrious General Lafayette, as a man, a Mason & a patriot, they did themselves the pleasure to admit and acknowledge him an Honorary Member of this Ancient Lodge (the first chartered in the United States) and to proffer him all the Rights & Privileges appertaining to such Membership.

Witness our Master & Wardens under the Seal of the Lodge at Boston on this Seventh day of June, A.L. 5825."

"A Special Meeting of the Lodge was called and held in Faneuil Hall the 17th June A.L. 5825, by order of the R.W. Master and under the charge of the W. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Eveleth, uniting with the G. Lodge and many other Masonic Bodies from this and many of the other States in a splendid procession to assist the M.W.G. Lodge in laying the Corner Stone of the Bunker Hill Monument. This day being the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill, which happened on the 17<sup>th</sup> June 1775."

On June 17, 1825, at 15 minutes past 8 o'clock in the morning Gen. Lafayette came to the Old State House on State Street and entered Masons' Hall, where he met the officers of St. John's Lodge.

At the Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge the 13th of September, 1826, it was "Voted, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of directing the Treasurer of this Grand Lodge to deliver to the presiding Master of St. John's Lodge in this city, the original Charter of said Lodge, which was surrendered to this Grand Lodge about the year 5783 and that the Treasurer be directed to cause said Charter to bear an indorsement similar to that which is now borne on that of St. Andrews Lodge." The subject was committed to R.W. John Soley, R.W. Francis J. Oliver, and R.W. Benjamin Russell, the two latter being Past Grand Masters and the former assuming the Chair in December following. At the next meeting, Dec. 13, 1826, "the committee appointed on the petition of St. John's Lodge, Boston, requesting the return of their ancient Charter, Reports: That in their opinion the prayer of the petition ought to be granted upon similar terms as were proposed to St. Andrews Lodge.

John Soley, Chairman.

Read & Accepted."



SHUBAEL BELL



"St. John's Lodge, April 3d A.L. 5827, two communications were rec'd from the Sec<sup>y</sup>. of the Gen<sup>l</sup>. Com<sup>ee</sup>. of the Masonick Institutions in Boston, under date of March 19 & 31; Will you authorize your committee to unite with the Committee of the other Masonick Institutions in the purchase of such a piece of land or the erection of a Masonick Temple as said Com<sup>ee</sup>. shall approve of?—and on motion of Bro. Hews in writing as follows, viz. Voted that St. John's Lodge will appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars more towards the erection of the contemplated Masonick Temple & that we will guarantee to the stockholders, so far as St. John's Lodge is concerned, our proportion of rent, that will make it equal to Six per cent. on the amount of expenditures, the Lodge voted its acceptance."

"Saint John's Lodge, stated meeting at Masons Hall Old State House Monday Evening April 5—5830. A communication from the Recording Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was rec'd requesting that a committee be appointed to co-operate with a committee of the Grand Lodge in renting a Hall for a place of meeting for all the Masonic bodies in the city. On motion it was voted that the three first officers of St. John's Lodge be such a committee with full power to act on the subject. A communication was received from the Grand Lodge relating to the Temple about to be erected in this City & read from the chair, it was on motion voted that a committee of three be appointed to take the subject of the communication into consideration & report at the next regular meeting; the chair appointed R.W. Bro's James A. Dickson, John B. Hammatt, Joseph Eveleth, Committee; the Secretary notified them of their appointment & of the vote of the Lodge. A communication was received from the Grand Lodge inviting St. John's Lodge to attend the ceremonies of laying the Corner Stone of the Temple, it was read from the chair & on motion voted that St. John's Lodge accept the invitation. The Secretary was directed to issue notification to the Members to meet the Grand Lodge at Faneuil Hall on the fourteenth day of October current to unite in the Ceremonies of laying the Corner Stone of the Temple."

The members of the Lodge assembled in Faneuil Hall on the fourteenth day of October, 1830, and thence walked in procession through Merchants Row, State, Court, and Tremont Streets to the site of the Temple. They returned through the same streets to Faneuil Hall, and thence to a dinner in Quincy Hall. The Worshipful Master was Lynde M. Walter, the editor and proprietor of the Boston Transcript.

"Saint John's Lodge, stated meeting, Washington Hall, Boston Monday Evening, Jan<sup>y</sup>. 3, 5831, the report of the Committee on the Temple



which was laid on the table at the last meeting was taken up and accepted & a Committee appointed to raise subscriptions according to one of the recommendations in said Report."

"Saint John's Lodge, stated meeting Washington Hall Boston, Monday Ev'g March 7<sup>th</sup> 1831, on motion of R.W. L.M. Walter voted that the Committee of which Francis J. Oliver is chairman relative to subscriptions for the Masonic Temple, be requested to report their doings at the next regular meeting of the Lodge & that the chairman of the com<sup>ee</sup>. be notified of this vote by the Sec<sup>y</sup>."

"Saint John's Lodge, Stated Meeting, Washington Hall, Boston Monday Evening Oct<sup>r</sup>. 3d, 5831, on motion of R.W. Bro. Hammatt, it was voted that the committee on the Temple, of which Bro. F. J. Oliver is chairman, be discharged from further duty."

"Saint John's Lodge, Stated Meeting, Washington Hall, Boston Monday Ev'g November 7<sup>th</sup> 5831. A communication was rec'd from John R. Bradford asking St. John's Lodge to appoint a committee to meet a committee of other Lodges respecting hiring rooms in the Temple. R. W. F. E. White was appointed that Committee."

Washington Hall was on Washington Street opposite the head of Franklin Street. Rooms were paid for by the quarter at a rent of \$500 a year. The first quarter commenced July 1, 1830; the last ended with the close of the year 1831.

The corner stone of the First Masonic Temple, corner of Tremont Street and Temple Place, was laid Oct. 14, 1830, being the first building erected by the Masonic Fraternity in Boston for their own use. It was dedicated May 30, 1832. It was sold to the United States for a court house Oct. 7, 1858. The site was a portion of the Washington Gardens and contained a little over 5,000 square feet of land and cost \$13,393.50. The Masonic apartments in this building were in the attic only the first fifteen years, and in 1846 the story next below the attic was appropriated also. It contained a commodious lodgeroom and convenient ante-rooms, which were dedicated on November 11, 1846.

"Saint John's Lodge, regular meeting at the Masonic Temple Monday November 5<sup>th</sup> 1832, on motion of Bro. F. E. White it was voted that Bro's Francis J. Oliver, James Dickson, JN<sup>o</sup>. Dixwell, F. E. White, Charles C. Nichols, Jos. Eveleth & Abel Phelps, be a committee to consider the expediency of St. John's Lodge noticing the 30 day of April next, it being the Centennial Anniversary of the Lodge, & that they have power to confer with a similar committee raised by the Grand Lodge, & that they be requested to make a partial report at the meeting of St. John's Lodge in December."

"Saint John's Lodge, regular meeting at Masonic Temple, Monday January 7<sup>th</sup> 5833, the Com<sup>ee</sup>. appointed by a vote of the Lodge at its regular communication in November to take into consideration the expediency of noticing the Centennial Anniversary of the Lodge report thro' their Chairman Bro. Francis J. Oliver that it is expedient to notice said Anniversary by an Address & such other performance within the Lodge, as shall be determined by a Committee to be appointed for that purpose. Which report was accepted & the R.W. Master the S<sup>r</sup>. & J<sup>r</sup>. Wardens & Bro. F. E. White & Jo<sup>s</sup>. Eveleth were appointed a Com<sup>ee</sup>. to carry said report into effect & to make all necessary arrangements."

"Saint John's Lodge  
Centennial Anniversary  
Special Meeting at the Masonic Temple  
April 30, 5833

The Lodge Celebrated at the Masonic Temple, Corner Temple Place & Tremont Sts., its Centennial Anniversary, in the presence of many of the officers and past officers of the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, and Grand Encampment, of the Commonwealth, Boston Encampment of Knights Templars, St. Andrew's and St. Paul's Chapters of Royal Arch Masons, together with the officers & members of all the Lodges in the City & many visiting brethren from the Country.

The Lodge was opened, omitting the usual ceremonies, when the R.W. Master announced the object of the meeting & the Marshal, in conformity with his directions, proceeded to form a Procession in the following order—Viz.

Tyler of St. John's Lodge  
Stewards  
Lodges

left in front in the following order viz:

Mount Lebanon  
Columbian  
The Massachusetts  
St. Andrew's  
St. John's

Standard of St. John's Lodge  
borne by Bro. Edw<sup>d</sup>. Eldredge

Past Masters of St. John's Lodge

Officers & Members of the Grand Lodge G. Chapter & Grand Encampment.

The Three Great Lights  
borne by Bro. JN<sup>o</sup>. Kennedy  
Chaplains  
Rev<sup>d</sup>. Bros. E. M. P. Wells and Samuel Barrett  
— Orator —  
R. W. Joshua B. Flint M.D.  
Wardens of St. John's Lodge  
Master of St. John's Lodge  
Deacon — — — Deacon

In this order the Procession proceeded to the spacious Lecture Room below, where a large number of Ladies & Gentlemen were assembled to witness the ceremonies of the evening. After this Procession had been seated, the Boston Encampment of Knights Templars, and St. Andrew's & St. Paul's Chapters of Royal Arch Masons, who had assembled in their respective apartments in the Temple, by invitation of the Lodge entered in procession & passing in front of St. John's Lodge took the seats assigned them by the Com<sup>ee</sup>. of arrangements.

The R.W. Master then arose & inducted the ceremonies of the evening as follows —

#### MASTER'S ADDRESS

The occurrence of the Centennial Anniversary of the institution of St. John's Lodge has been deemed by its Members a fitting occasion for the Manifestation of those grateful feelings to the history of the good men & time whose labors were instrumental in laying the foundations of our order in this Western World. It seemed to them proper that an event which has carried in its train so many blessings to the forlorn & destitute, which has oft times served to light up a smile on the wan cheek of despair should receive at their hands a notice befitting the noble & generous impulses in which it had its origin. They accordingly decided that its hundredth anniversary should be celebrated by an address commemorative of the event together with such religious & other services as should comport with the occasion; & that the members of all the Masonic Institutions in the city should be invited to participate. In conformity with these arrangements the performances will now be commenced with an Anthem by the Choir.

In conformity with this announcement the Singing Choir, under the direction of Bro. Cha<sup>s</sup>. Zenner, performed an appropriate Anthem, which was followed with an impressive Invocation by the Rev<sup>d</sup>. Bro. E. M. P. Wells. To this succeeded the following original Ode written for the occa-

sion by Bro. Samuel A. Allen of Boston, with original music, by Bro. Zenner.

## ODE

An hundred years of peace—of love  
 An hundred years have come & gone,  
 Since with the aid & smile of Heav'n,  
 Our Fathers laid this corner stone.  
     Hail, Masons then this festal hour;—  
     Loud let your pæans ring, and long;  
     And Heaven's blue vault shall echo still  
     The rapt'rous measure of your song.

Confed'rate foes, 'tis true, have sought  
 To blast the Masons' hope and fame;—  
 But triumph, brethren, waits tonight  
 To gild the glory of our name.  
     Then let us yield our thanks, our praise  
     To him whose goodness, grants us this;  
     Whose ever watchful eye doth guard  
     The Mason's right — the Mason's bliss.

Yet pause—we drop a tear to those  
 Whose mem'ry we should cherish now;—  
 Whose spirits lean from heav'n to breathe  
 Their kindred blessings on our brow.  
     Theirs were the hearts and hands that join'd  
     In days gone by this Lodge to rear;  
     Theirs were the deeds of Charity,  
     That claim our warmest sanction here.

Now, to the triumph of this hour—  
 Of Friendship's league, the hundredth eve,  
 A Song of thanks and joy we sing—  
 A wreath of constancy we wear.  
     Hail, brethren, then this festal hour;—  
     Loud let your pæans ring, and long;  
     And Heaven's high vault shall echo still  
     The rapt'rous measure of your song.

The R.W. Joshua B. Flint M.D. then delivered an Address in which he traced the history of the Institution from its first establishment in this



country to the present time, paying a deserved tribute to the virtues and talents of the illustrious worthies who have graced the annals of the order. To the address succeeded the following original ode, composed for the occasion by the Reverend James Flint D.D. of Salem, with the original music by Bro. Charles Zenner—

### ODE.

When does man approach the nearest  
 To his Maker here below?  
 'Tis, O mortal, when thou cheerest  
 Hearts oppress'd with want and wo.  
 'Tis not, when around thee gleaming  
 Rays of earthly splendour shine;  
 When in power or science seeming  
 To thyself a thing divine.  
 Power almighty is appalling  
 When revealed in might alone,  
 Nations, awe-struck, prostrate falling  
 Such a God in terror own.  
 If almighty and omniscient  
 Then more dread and awful still;  
 Knowledge shows him all sufficient  
 To enforce a tyrant's will.

Only when with these is blended  
 Love's serene and priceless gem,  
 Shines with peerless glory splendid  
 E'en the Godhead's diadem.  
 From that fount forever pouring  
 Flows the tide of bliss above  
 While the hosts of heaven adoring  
 Shout forever God is love.

Would'st thou man, thy God resemble?  
 Thou canst not be like in power  
 E'en tho' subject millions tremble  
 'Neath thy sceptre of an hour.  
 Nor canst thou be like in knowing  
 Since to knowledge, there are bounds—  
 All thy plummets live still showing  
 Deeper seas and new profounds.

Show thy likeness then in loving  
 All who wear the form of man;  
 And thy love by deeds approving  
 Second heaven's eternal plan,  
 Godlike thou approachest nearest  
 To thy Maker here below  
 When a brother's heart thou cheerest  
 Chill'd with want or pierc'd with wo.

Wit but dazzles and bewilders;  
 Tongues shall cease and all shall die;  
 Thrones and empires and their builders  
 Shall in mingled ruin lie.  
 Time all other ties shall sever  
 Save the mystic tie of love,  
 Round by this, our souls forever  
 Shall be join'd in bliss above.

An appropriate benediction by the Reverend Samuel Barrett closed the ceremonies of the evening."

The orator, Dr. Joshua B. Flint, was the deputy of the First Masonic District and in December of the following year he was elected Grand Master.

"A regular meeting of St. John's Lodge was held at the Masonic Temple Boston on Monday evening February 1<sup>st</sup> A.L. 5841 at 6  $\frac{3}{4}$  o'clock. Brother Hammatt, chairman of committee on taking schedule of the property of the Lodge, reported: The committee appointed at the last meeting of St. John's Lodge to make an inventory of the furniture and effects of St. John's Lodge having attended to the duty assigned them report:

Portrait of the M.W. Samuel Dunn P.M.

" of R.W. Benjamin Franklin presented by Bro. Wm. Austin.  
 View of the conflagration of the Masonic Hall in Philadelphia, presented by R.W. Joseph Eveleth

Portrait of Rt. Worshipful Bro. George Washington

Portrait of R.W. Andrew Jackson, painted by Bro. C. G. Pickman

Portrait of an ancient Tyler, presented by Bro. Winslow Lewis Jr.

Case containing a letter from Bro. Lafayette in rich frame

Trunk containing Holy Bible presented by R<sup>t</sup>. Hon. Alexander Lord Gosniss, printed in 1566

Book of constitutions printed in 1792

" " " " " 1798

Silver Compas & Square, presented by R.W. Bro. T. J. Oliver”

June 24, 1845. The Lodge attended the celebration on Bunker Hill.

November 11, 1846. Dedication of the New Masonic Hall in Masonic Temple upon Tremont Street. The Lodge attended the ceremonies of consecration by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

October 25, 1848. Celebration of the introduction of water into the City of Boston. The Lodge joined in the procession.

March 2, 1857, Lewis A. Kimberly was admitted to the degrees. He had served in the Navy of the United States as a midshipman in 1846, as Past Midshipman in 1852, and as Master in 1855. He was made Lt. Commander 16 July, 1862, Commander in 1866, and Captain 30 Oct., 1874. At the time of his death he held the rank of Rear Admiral.

October 4, 1858, the last meeting of any lodge in the Masonic Temple, corner of Tremont Street and Temple Place.

November 1, 1858, the first meeting of any lodge in Nassau Hall, corner of Washington and Common Streets.

December 6, 1858. Voted to give the sum of \$100 towards the purchase of Mount Vernon.

December 19, 1859, the last meeting of any lodge in Nassau Hall.

“Regular Communication of St. John’s Lodge Freemasons’ Hall, corner of Tremont and Boylston Streets, January 2, 1860. The Worshipful Master said to the Brethren: The Fraternity have purchased and remodelled the building now known as Freemasons’ Hall, at the outlay of upwards of a Hundred Thousand Dollars, and have now, it is said, the most convenient and elegant apartments in the Country. It is a source of interest to the Lodge that its first Regular Communication of the year is the First Masonic Meeting held within its walls since their Consecration by the M.W. Grand Lodge, M.W. Winslow Lewis Grand Master.”

The Winthrop House, corner of Tremont and Boylston Streets, afterwards the site of the Second and Third Masonic Temples, was purchased at public auction in February, 1859, by Edward A. Raymond, Past Grand Master, who, March 24, 1859, sold it to the Grand Lodge for \$106,500. The Grand Lodge repaired the building and added three stories. The Masonic apartments were dedicated Dec. 27, 1859. The building was destroyed by fire April 6, 1864.

WINSLOW LEWIS was born in Boston July 8, 1799; and, after graduation from Harvard College, continued his medical studies in France and in Great Britain, and upon his return began practice in Boston. He was the city physician in 1861. He was president of the New England Historic Genealogical Society 1861 to 1866, and was a member of the General Court of the Commonwealth in 1835, 1852, and 1853. He re-



JOSIAH QUINCY





ceived his degrees in Columbian Lodge, became a member of St. John's Lodge in 1834, and was a charter member of Winslow Lewis Lodge in 1858. He was an officer of the Grand Lodge nearly every year from 1834 to his decease, and was Grand Master in 1855, 1856, and 1860. He died August 3, 1875, and upon the sixth day of August the funeral services were attended by the Grand Lodge, and by a large representation from St. John's, Winslow Lewis, and other lodges. His remains at first were placed in a tomb under Saint Paul's Church and later were removed to Mt. Auburn Cemetery.

James Augustus Fox became a member of the Lodge in 1858 and was its Worshipful Master 1863-64. Later he was Deputy Grand Master for the First Masonic District. He was Captain of the 13th Regt. Mass. Vols. 1861-62, Capt. of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery 1864-5, and Mayor of Cambridge 1881-1884. He died in Providence, Rhode Island, in 1900.

William H. Kent became a member of the Lodge in 1860 and was its Worshipful Master in 1866. He was Mayor of Charlestown 1870-72. He died in 1889.

Thorndike Hall, on the north side of Summer Street near Washington Street was arranged for the use of the Masonic bodies immediately after the destruction of the Winthrop House, and was occupied by them until the completion of the Second Masonic Temple. Thorndike Hall was destroyed by the great fire of 1872.

The Second Masonic Temple, corner of Tremont and Boylston Streets, was built of Concord granite and covered 9,000 square feet of land and was 90 feet in height, with an octagonal tower 120 feet high. The corner stone was laid October 14, 1864, and the building was dedicated June 24, 1867, in the presence of Bro. Andrew Johnson, President of the United States. It also was destroyed by fire.

"Stated communication Monday Evening Sept. 2 1867. The Worshipful Master on behalf of the committee appointed to procure accommodation for the Lodge in the new Masonic Temple reported the following arrangements: The Lodge to pay an annual rent of Six Hundred Dollars exclusive of heating and lighting, and a Superintendent's fee of Two Dollars for each meeting held by the Lodge. The number of meetings to be unlimited. Approved report spread upon the records."

"Stated Communication November 4, 1878. Died Right Worshipful Bro. & Chaplain Rev. E. M. P. Wells, aged 85 years 3 mos. 26 days. Joined St. John's, April 6, 1835. Elected honorary member Nov. 5, 1860. Appointed Chaplain Dec. 22, 1835, and continued in office to date of death. Dist. Dep. Grand Master 1st Masonic Dist. 1844, and at close

of year Deputy Grand Master for the year 1845. Chaplain of House of Reformation in Boston 1831 & 1832; Principal of the Farm School, Thompson's Island, 1833; Principal of School for Moral Discipline, So. Boston Point, from 1834 to 1844; when he removed to Purchase St., Boston, and became pastor of St. Stephen's Chapel and Principal of the Mission and Home adjoining, where he remained until the great fire of 1872 swept away his chapel and home. Funeral services were held in St. Paul's Church. Buried at Mt. Auburn."

"Stated Communication October 3, 1881. Died in Boston Oct. 2 1881, 80 yrs. 6 mos. 11 dys, Daniel Harwood M.D. Was raised in Rising Star Lodge, Worcester, Mass. in 1822. Member of this lodge Mar. 3, 1834. Jun. Warden 1836. Master 1837-38 and again 1848, 1849, and 1850."

"March 6-1882. On Motion of Wor. Bro. William H. Thomes it was voted that a committee of five be appointed, with the Wor. Master Chairman of said Committee, to consider the expediency of celebrating the One Hundredth & Fiftieth Anniversary of St. John's Lodge. Wor. Bro. W<sup>m</sup>. H. Thomes, Bros. Curtis Guild, W<sup>m</sup>. U. Moulton, and S. L. Emery, were appointed."

The committee by Harvey N. Shepard, its chairman, subsequently reported that the celebration was expedient; that because of the heat of the summer months and of the absence from the city of many members it would be best to postpone the celebration to October, that the Temple be engaged for the afternoon and evening, that the Lodge be opened in due form in Egyptian Hall at four o'clock P.M. and then adjourn to Sutton Hall, that after a voluntary upon the organ a committee be appointed by the Master to conduct the Most Worshipful Grand Master and his suite and the invited guests into the Lodge; and that there be an ode by a quartette choir, an address of welcome by the Master, prayer by the Chaplain, reading of the Charter of the Lodge, ode by the choir, an historical address, and singing by the choir, to close the proceedings in Sutton Hall. After sufficient time given the ladies to inspect the Temple, and its several apartments, the brethren, ladies, and guests, to march into the Banquet Halls to the music of the band, and after grace and an appropriate discussion of the bounties of the tables, to occupy the rest of the evening with speeches and sentiments by the M.W. Grand Master and other guests. The report was accepted. May 7, 1883, Worshipful Brothers Samuel W. Clifford, Frederick T. Comee, and Harvey N. Shepard, and Brothers William U. Moulton and Stephen L. Emery, were made a committee with full powers to complete the details at an expense of \$800 to be paid from the funds of the lodge.

## ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORGANIZATION OF SAINT JOHN'S LODGE

Monday Evening October 1<sup>st</sup> A.L. 5883, a Lodge of Master Masons was opened in Egyptian Hall in due form.

The Worshipful Master informed the brethren that Most Worshipful Samuel C. Lawrence, after due and careful investigation, had become satisfied that St. John's Lodge is the first regular organized Lodge of Free Masons in America, and, in order that there should be no further doubt in the matter, would during the evening restore to St. John's Lodge a copy of the Original Charter dated July 30, 1773. On motion of the Secretary it was voted that the Wor. Master and Wardens be authorized to surrender the present charter of the Lodge, and accept in place thereof the charter prepared by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge. On motion of the Treasurer it was voted that a committee of three be appointed to consider the expediency of publishing the proceedings of this evening and report at the next meeting. Bro. Edward A. White and Wor. Bros. Frederick T. Comee and Harvey N. Shepard were appointed as the committee.

R. W. Frederic D. Ely, Grand Marshal of the M. W. Grand Lodge, then entered the Hall and announced that the Most Worshipful Samuel C. Lawrence, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, was in the adjoining room, accompanied with his suite for the purpose of participating with St. John's Lodge in celebrating the 150th Anniversary of its organization. The Wor. Master appointed R. W. Bro. Wyzeman Marshall and Wor. Brothers Emmons, Pierce, and Munroe, and Bros. Moulton and S. L. Emery, a committee to receive and escort them into the Hall, where they were received in due form.

The Grand Lodge, escorted by St. John's Lodge, then proceeded to Corinthian Hall, where the ladies and invited guests had previously assembled, Bro. J. Thomas Baldwin's orchestra discoursing excellent music while the procession entered the Hall.

Wor. Master Clifford then made an address of welcome. The Weber Quartet sang "All Hail the Great Mysterious Art." After which Wor. Master Clifford introduced the Orator of the evening, Right Worshipful Sereno D. Nickerson, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, who then delivered the Historical Address:

"We are assembled for the purpose of commemorating the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the First Lodge in Boston, which was the first regularly warranted Lodge established on the



Continent of North America so far as any authentic and reliable evidence now appears. The significance of the event is brought home to us with great distinctness and force when we consider the enormous growth of our Institution in this country from that small beginning and the great power for good which it has exerted for the last century and a half, and which bids fair to extend into still wider and ever widening circles.

“What a flood of thought almost overwhelms the mind at the mere mention of the words “a Century and a half” in this connection! How crowded with incident has been the history of our Country and our Craft, and how closely have the two been connected!

“Masons faint and fall by the wayside, but the Lodge flourishes, and grows more and more vigorous with increasing age. Five generations of Brethren have passed on to that undiscovered country, from whose bourne no traveller returns; but St. John's Lodge still lives, and its ranks are constantly being recruited by Craftsmen, proud of its antiquity, and its history, and eager to do their part towards perpetuating its existence and its usefulness until time shall be no more.

“With these thoughts in view, the speaker shrinks with diffidence from the task he has undertaken and is strongly inclined to regret that it had not fallen to more skillful hands. Under the circumstances perhaps the wiser course is to present a round unvarnished tale, leaving the delicate touches to be supplied by the vivid imagination and the trained experience of his auditors, trusting to their kindly thoughts and bright eyes for a portion of the inspiration and encouragement which will make his duty more easy and agreeable, and thus react for their pleasure and profit.

“It is doubtless known to most of my hearers that the origin of Masonry is lost in obscurity. Many fanciful theories as to the source from which it sprang have been suggested, and defended with most elaborate argument and with great zeal and warmth. But time will not allow us even to mention these various pre-historic speculations. We have to do on the present occasion only with the comparatively authentic and generally admitted history of the Craft since the revival, or reorganization as it is called, which took place in England in 1717.

“In no quarter was the new departure more cordially approved and more cheerfully conformed to, than in the British North American Provinces. The relations between the colonies and the Mother Country were intimate and tender. To the colonists England was home and its fashions had almost the binding force of law. There is a tradition that the New Masonic plan was followed in Boston as early as 1720, only three years after it was inaugurated in London. It was asserted forty years ago (1843) that there was in existence documentary evidence to prove that

a regularly warranted lodge was organized in Boston, in that year, but soon ceased operations, on account of violent opposition. Diligent search has been made for this evidence without success. It may, however, yet come to light.

"The first warrant for this country granted under the authority of the Grand Lodge of England, as reorganized in 1717, so far as any reliable evidence is now known to exist, was the deputation or commission granted to Daniel Coxe, Esq., of New Jersey by the Duke of Norfolk, Grand Master, bearing date at London the 5th day of June, 1730, appointing Brother Coxe Provincial Grand Master of the Provinces of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, for the term of two years from the Feast of St. John the Baptist next ensuing the date of the commission. It is believed however by Masonic students generally that the authority granted by this deputation was never exercised by Brother Coxe.

"On the 30th day of April, 1733, Anthony Browne, Lord Viscount Montague, Grand Master of the Free and Accepted Masons of England, granted to our Right Worshipful and well beloved brother Mr. Henry Price a deputation or commission, constituting him Provincial Grand Master of New England, and Dominions and Territories thereunto belonging.

"By virtue of this commission ten brethren resident in Boston were convened on Monday, July 30th, 1733, at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern. The Provincial Grand Lodge was duly organized by the appointment of Andrew Belcher as Deputy Grand Master and Thomas Kennelly and John Quane as Grand Wardens. The brethren then united in a petition to the new Grand Master, that he would constitute them into a regular lodge. The first few pages of the record of the new Provincial Grand Lodge, now in possession of our Grand Lodge, consists of what appears to be a transcript of brief memoranda describing the important incidents in the history of that body between 1733 and 1750; or they may have been made up from the recollections of brethren who had been active among the Craft during those seventeen years. In either case it is not surprising that a few trifling errors have been discovered. Nor do such errors impair our faith in the general accuracy of the narrative. From 1750 the record is in regular form and unquestionably contemporaneous."

The M.W. Grand Master presented the lodge with a new charter in nearly the following words:—

"W. Master and Brethren — Duly authorized by a vote of the Grand Lodge to decide upon the claims of St. John's Lodge to a date of precedence earlier than that named in its present charter, I have given care-

ful attention to the historical facts involved in this question, and have reached a conclusion which has already been informally announced to the members of the lodge. The reasons which have moved me to a compliance with their wishes are embodied in the amended charter which I hold in my hand, and they need not be recapitulated here — it is sufficient to say that this lodge had its origin in the First Lodge, so called, of Massachusetts, instituted 1733. About fifty years afterwards on the 7th of February, 1783, the First Lodge, by the process of consolidation, absorbed the membership of the Second Lodge, which had been instituted February 15, 1749, and the United Lodge assumed the title of St. John's Lodge, and as such received a new charter, dated February 7, 1783. The memories and traditions of your ancient Lodge go back to the time of its foundation as the First Lodge. Its birth was coeval with that of organized Masonry in this State and it was a stay and support to the Grand Lodge at a time when Masonry had few adherents in a sparsely settled country, and when an organized association of faithful and enterprising brethren here in Boston could render invaluable aid to the Grand Body. Naturally the brethren of St. John's Lodge have felt that the date of precedence named in the charter which they now hold, misrepresents the true history of the Lodge, and tends to cut them off from those associations with a venerable past which they would most tenderly and sacredly cherish, for they cling to their origin with that feeling, instinctive in man which prompts him to hold fast to his home, his family, and his native land. Recognizing the justice of the claims of this lodge for an unbroken identity with the First Lodge and sharing with fullest sympathy the sentiment which prompts the brethren to assert their rights, I have caused a charter to be prepared, and duly authenticated under which St. John's Lodge will enjoy its true date of precedence, and thus a long-standing injustice will be rectified.

“And now, Worshipful Master, accept this roll; it is the amended charter of your lodge. Effectually, I give you back your old charter in 1733. It gives me sincere gratification to find myself the instrument of conferring a pleasure upon the members of this lodge, and of consummating an act of substantial justice. I heartily congratulate you members of St. John's Lodge that the true historical record of your lodge is now vindicated, and that its annals are enlarged by another half-century of faithful work and interesting experience.

“Brethren — Your past is now secure. May the record of the long and honorable life which your lodge has enjoyed be an incentive to you, and those who come after you, to add, year by year, new lustre to its record by accumulating deeds of charity and fraternal love. May the princi-



ples of our beloved Institution find a fresh enforcement in your hearts when you recall the memory of the good men who through 5 generations have been associated in this lodge, and who by their fidelity to their Masonic Vows, and by the pure tenor of their lives, have helped to make Masonry a name of honor in this Commonwealth; securing for it a moral and material prosperity far surpassing anything which could have been looked for by its founders.

"Few associated bodies in this land can boast of a pre-revolutionary ancestry, and of an antiquity such as yours. But the pride which comes from a high lineage, and from the inheritance of a spotless name, is only justifiable when it stimulates man to a corresponding nobility of action, and I rejoice to believe that the well-earned fame of this lodge is regarded as a sacred truth by you who inherit it, and that you will hand down the same unsullied record to your successors, so that the future of this lodge will be worthy of its brilliant past.

"I invoke the blessing of Divine Providence upon all your efforts to promote the honor, and prosperity, and increase the usefulness of St. John's Lodge."

To this address the W. Master replied and then further addressed the audience as follows:—

"Brethren, and Ladies and Gentlemen—As you passed in at the entrance of the anteroom adjoining this hall, you probably noticed two bunches of grapes suspended above the door-way. These grapes are historic relics; they are the property of Bro. Enoch Paige, and I have received in relation to them the following letter, which I will read:—

"Worshipful Master and Brethren of St. John's Lodge— With the approach of the celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the institution of our lodge, I feel that it is not only my duty, but also my pleasant privilege, to send this communication to you. Our lodge had its birth one hundred and fifty years ago in one of the rooms in the Bunch of Grapes Tavern, a famous hostelry in revolutionary and ante-revolutionary days, where wise and patriotic men frequently met to consult with one another upon the needs of a country which then became the embryo of a mighty nation. In this tavern were planted the germs of American Masonry. Here also were held those first deliberations of which the conflict of '76 was one of the results. From the corner of this building which was located at the junction of State and Kilby Streets, projecting towards the street were several bunches of grapes, symbols of good cheer and conviviality. In later years, and in deference to the march of modern improvement, this building was removed, and the grapes were taken to the Commercial Coffee House on Milk Street, kept by Col. Whitney.



Again the march of modern improvement demanded a sacrifice; the bunches of grapes were taken from the building by Col. Whitney and presented by him to me. Valuable as relics of a former generation, many antiquarians have sought to obtain possession of these grapes. Two of the bunches yielding to the destructive influences of time, have crumbled, into their original dust. Two bunches remain, attesting by their excellent condition the sterling character of the oak from which they were carved. I would prefer that they should not be subject to the uncertainties of the laws of inheritors. I think the time has now arrived for me to determine where their permanent home shall be. I therefore present them to you as valued memorials of the past, with full confidence that you will also cherish them on account of their peculiar associations with the foundation and early history of our venerable lodge.

“‘Fraternally and cordially yours,

“‘Enoch Paige.’

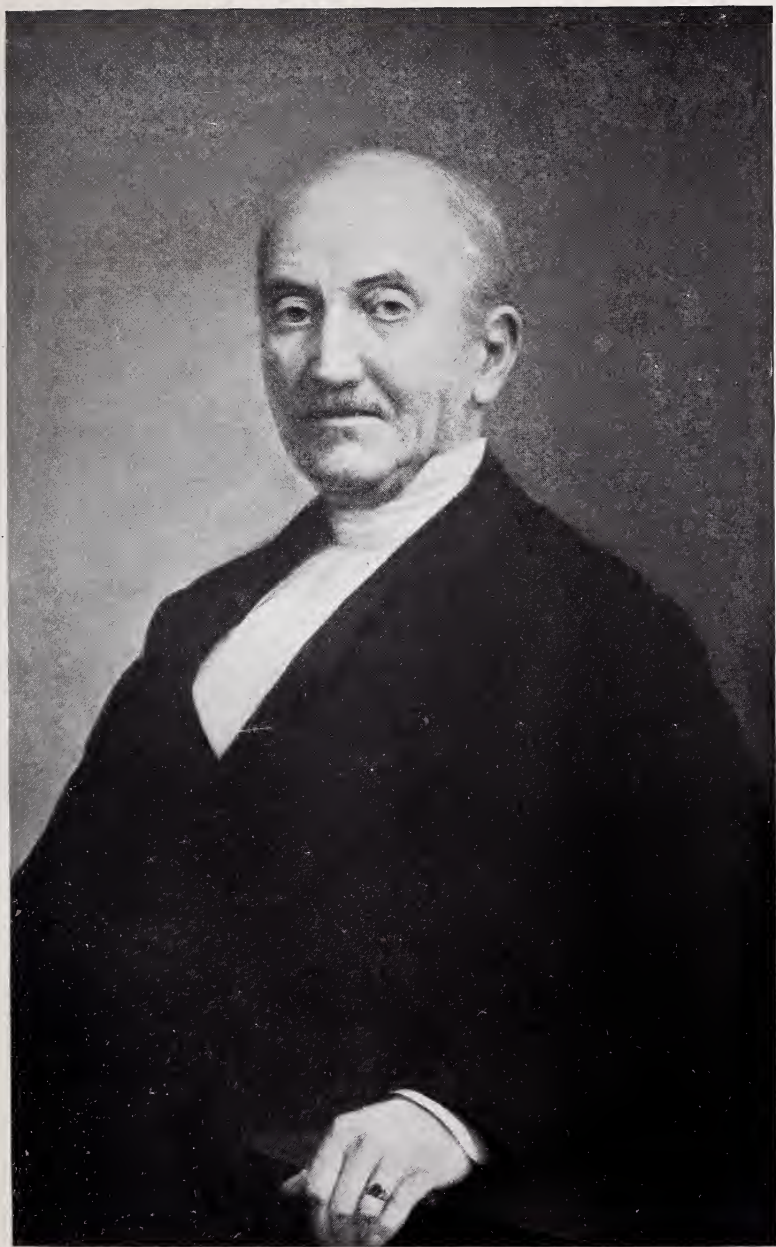
“Although exposed to the assailing influences of time, they have not yet, you perceive, fully lost the verdure of their youth.

“Brother Guild—I recognize in you a dual capacity. You are one of the oldest and most venerable members of St. John’s Lodge. You are also the President of the Bostonian Society, an association devoted to the culture of antiquarian lore; it is peculiarly appropriate that the duty of responding in behalf of the lodge for this generous gift of Brother Paige should devolve on you. I therefore call upon you to discharge the measure of your obligation.”

Bro. Curtis Guild replied as follows:—

“Worshipful Master—I thank you for the courtesy of your introduction, and for the complimentary allusion to the Bostonian Society, that I have the honor to represent. You will, however, permit me on this occasion, in my capacity as a member of this lodge, to join with you in congratulating our fellow members upon the reception of the valuable relic that has just been presented to us,—a relic celebrated in the history of Boston,—its early history, here where the Revolution was begun,—and a relic around which so many recollections are entwined, and with which so many associations are connected as to render it almost I may say a National Memento.

“The old Bunch of Grapes Tavern certainly has a national reputation. It existed as early as 1712, and was situated on the corner of Mackerel lane, now Kilby Street, near the water’s edge, and King Street now State



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Street. The sign of the hostelry was four bunches of grapes. Two of the bunches we are told have crumbled into dust, these being the only ones remaining.

"Few of the ancient inns have had more notable guests within their walls than this. In 1728 Governor Burnett, after a most hearty reception, found comfortable quarters there.

"Lafayette visited it in 1784. The meetings of the Society of the Cincinnati, composed, as you know, of the officers of the American army during the Revolution, were also held there, and its walls have heard the voice of their great Commander-in-Chief, and our illustrious brother Mason, George Washington.

"But to us, Worshipful Master, this emblem, and you know our Craft teaches us to appreciate the value of emblems,—to us this relic of the past has a peculiar significance. Beneath it have passed those early fathers of Freemasonry in America, the founders of St. John's Lodge, of Boston—Price, Belcher, Kennelly, and Quane, to the first meetings of the first lodge in America.

"This emblem is indeed a treasure to possess, in itself but a rude carved and ornamented symbol; but American citizens, and more especially every member of this time-honored Masonic Lodge, will value it as worth more than its weight in the precious metal it so rudely counterfeits.

"If this quaint old relic had power of speech, what a tale of interest it could tell of the days of provincial government, when our solemn ancestors in cocked hats, knee-breeches, and shoe-buckles, passed beneath its clusters.

"How many fierce discussions has it heard on the enforcement of the obnoxious Stamp Act! But a stone's throw distant, it could have almost heard Capt. Preston command to fire, which was followed by the rattling volley that laid low those who fell in the Boston Massacre. Part of the crowd that had been a short distance further on the water-front to the tea-mixing in Boston harbor may have passed beneath it on their return. Beneath it was told the story of the fight at Lexington and Concord. It heard the booms of cannon that at early morning on the 17th of June, 1775, announced the discovery of breastworks on Breed's hill, and the morning sunbeams flashed upon the golden cluster, and were reflected back from the bayonets of British soldiery that marched to take part in the memorable conflict of that day.

"A year later, when the Declaration of Independence had been promulgated, this gilt emblem flashed and gave back the ruddy beams of a bonfire built in front of the Bunch of Grapes Tavern,—a bonfire which consumed crown, lion, and unicorn, the emblems of royal government,



that had been torn down from government offices and other positions they had occupied in the town.

"And when the British troops had defiled before it for the last time, as the army of occupancy marched with measured tramp, flashing arms and waving banners to their ships, it heard, after the echoes of their departure had scarcely died away, another and more welcome footstep, as General George Washington and his staff of officers, the deliverers of the town after its ten months' siege, passed beneath it and enjoyed the hospitality of the ancient hostelry that it decorated.

"The old tavern has passed away and so have our fathers, who knew it in their day; but their memories and example still live, and need not even a visible memorial to remind us of them, their deeds, and their sacrifices. Yet we cherish this memento as one they knew so well, a relic of their day, because of its many associations, because they whose memories we respect and honor have looked upon it; it once belonged to them, and, therefore is dear to us:—

"Their bones are dust,  
Their good swords are rust  
Their souls are with the saints, we trust.'

"Worshipful Master, neither dust nor rust shall obscure their memories here. I thank you for the privilege accorded me, and join with you in this part of the ceremony, not only in recalling these histories of former days, but in your gratitude to the thoughtful donor for his appropriate and valuable gift to the lodge."

The exercises of the evening were interspersed with humorous recitations by R.W. Brother Wyzeman Marshall, Past Master of St. John's Lodge, and by Music by Brother J. Thomas Baldwin's Orchestra and the Weber Quartette. The audience joined in singing the following hymn written for the occasion by Mrs. A. H. Walton:—

Dedicated to the Members of St. John's Lodge, F. & A. M., for their 150th Anniversary, Oct. 1, 1883.

Tune — America.  
Ho! Brothers of St. John!  
Pause while ye journey on,  
Pause while we may!

Call back the vanished years;  
The plans, and hopes, and fears,  
Duties, and smiles, and tears,  
Are ours to-day.

The Past is still our guest,  
Turn we to East or West,  
To South or North.

One hundred fifty years!  
How short the time appears;  
How plainly each one hears  
The call, come forth—

Come, and recount the days,  
Ring out your hymns of praise,  
Joyously sing!

Grateful before Him fall,  
Good Brothers great and small,  
'Tis God's world after all,  
God is our King.

### CHARTER

To all the Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, to whom these presents shall come, The Most Worshipful Samuel Crocker Lawrence, Esq., Grand Master of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, duly authorized and appointed, and in Ample Form installed, together with his Grand Wardens, sends GREETING:

Whereas, Right Worshipful Henry Price, the first Provincial Grand Master of New England and the Founder of Masonry in North America, on the thirtieth day of July, A.D. 1733, A.L. 5733, granted a Warrant authorizing the establishment of the First Lodge in Boston, which thereby became the first regular warranted lodge on this continent; and

WHEREAS, by Right Worshipful Thomas Oxnard, Esq., Provincial Grand Master of North America, on the fifteenth day of February, A.D. 1749 (O.S.), A.L. 5749, the Second Lodge in Boston was duly constituted and consecrated; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of a Warrant granted by the Most Worshipful John Rowe, Esq., Grand Master, on the seventh day of February, A.D. 1783, A.L. 5783, the said First and Second Lodges in Boston were united under the name, title and designation of St. John's Lodge; and

WHEREAS, the M.W. Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, at its Annual Communication on the thirteenth day of December, A.D. 1826, A.L. 5826, voted to return to said St. John's Lodge its original Charter, which was surrendered to said Grand Lodge about the year 5783, with an en-

dorsement thereon fixing the precedence of said lodge as expressed in said ancient Charter; and

WHEREAS, the said St. John's Lodge now established and working in the city of Boston is the regular successor of the said First Lodge in Boston, warranted on the thirtieth day of July, A.D. 1733, A.L. 5733, by Right Worshipful Henry Price, Provincial Grand Master, and also the regular successor of the Second Lodge in Boston, constituted on the fifteenth day of February, A.D. 1749 (O.S.), A.L. 5749, by Right Worshipful Thomas Oxnard, Esq., Provincial Grand Master of North America; and also the regular successor of the said St. John's Lodge, to which a Charter or Warrant was duly issued by Right Worshipful John Rowe, Esq., Grand Master, on the seventh day of February, A.D. 1783, A.L. 5783, at the Union of said First and Second Lodges; and

WHEREAS, all and several of the Charters or Warrants heretofore granted either to said First Lodge on the thirtieth day of July, A.D. 1733, or to said Second Lodge the fifteenth day of February, 1749 (O.S.), or to said St. John's Lodge on the seventh day of February, A.D. 1783, have been lost or destroyed by fire or otherwise; and

WHEREAS, no authentic copy of either of said Charters or Warrants has been preserved either by our Grand Lodge or by said St. John's Lodge;

Know ye, therefore, that we, the Grand Master and Wardens, by virtue of the power and authority aforesaid, and in compliance with a vote of our Grand Lodge passed at its Quarterly Communication holden on the fourteenth day of March, A.D. 1883, A.L. 5883, do hereby ratify and confirm the said Charter or Warrant granted by the Most Worshipful John Rowe, Esq., in all respects, save as to the precedence of said Lodge hereinafter specified; and reposing special trust and confidence in the prudence, fidelity and skill in Masonry of our beloved Brethren, the Master, Wardens, and Members of said St. John's Lodge as now constituted, do hereby renew and confirm unto them and their successors full power and authority to meet and convene as Masons within the city of Boston, in the county of Suffolk and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to receive and enter Apprentices, pass Fellow Crafts, and raise Master Masons upon the payment of such moderate compensations for the same as may be determined by said lodge. Also to make choice of Master, Wardens and other office-bearers annually or otherwise, as they shall see cause, and in accordance with our Grand Constitutions. To receive and collect funds for the relief of poor and decayed brethren, their widows or children, and in general to transact all matters relating to Masonry, which may to them appear for the good of the Craft, according to

the ancient usages and customs of Masons. And we do hereby require the said constituted Brethren to attend at the Grand Lodge or Quarterly Communication, by themselves or proxies (which are their Master and Wardens for the time being), and also to keep a fair and regular record of all their proceedings and lay the same before the Grand Lodge when required. And we do hereby enjoin upon our said Brethren to behave themselves respectfully and obediently to their superiors in office, and not desert said lodge without the leave of their said Master and Wardens. And we do hereby declare the precedence of said St. John's Lodge, in the Grand Lodge and elsewhere, to commence from the thirtieth day of July, A.D. 1733, A.L. 5733, and we require all Ancient Free and Accepted Masons to govern themselves accordingly, and to acknowledge and receive them and their successors.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Grand Lodge at Boston, New England, Oct. 1, A.D. 1883, and of Masonry, 5883.

{ G.L. }  
{ Seal }

Samuel Crocker Lawrence,  
Grand Master.

Edwin Wright,  
Deputy Grand Master.

Charles M. Avery,  
Senior Grand Warden.

Thos. W. Davis,  
Junior Grand Warden.

Sereno D. Nickerson,  
Grand Secretary.

Stated communication October 7, 1895, in Eliot Lodge room, Jamaica Plain.

Stated communication November 6, 1895, in Odd Fellows' Building, Boston.

Stated communication February 3, 1896, in the new Masonic Hall in the Continental Building, Boylston Street, being the first of any Masonic body.

Property in charge of Treasurer, 1898.

1. Copy of Original Charter and Certificate of Confirmation from Grand Lodge.



2. Duplicate copy.

3. 4 Silver Punch Ladles. These were found by J. J. Dixwell, son of Dr. John Dixwell, in an old cabinet. One ladle was the gift of John Rowe, Master of the Lodge, 5749. One ladle was the gift of Hugh McDaniel, Master of the Lodge, 1739. One ladle was the gift of Thomas Oxnard, Master of the Lodge, 1737. One ladle has no inscription. 7 Pieces of Silver.

4. 2 silver half dollars presented June 3, 1893, by Bro. John W. T. Stodder, Relics from the jewels melted in the burning of the Temple in 1864.

5. Silver square, compasses, and Bible presented September 1, 1807, by R. Wor. Bro. Francis J. Oliver.

6. Silver square, compasses, and Bible presented by Bro. John H. Collamore.

7. Copy of Fields Bible presented by Alexander, Lord Colville, 1752.

8. Bible and Warden's baton presented by Bro. Edward A. White

9. Box of silver working tools: square, compasses, plumb, level, dagger, trowel, 24 inch gauge.

10. 3 Silver plated jewels for officers' badges in Grand Lodge.

11. 3 silver plated jewels and silk collar for Master.

12. Marshal's baton and 4 rods for deacons and stewards presented by Wor. James T. Wetherald.

13. Deed of 1-2 lot in Forest Hills Cemetery presented by Bro. William H. Brown. 14 silver jewels. 14 silver plated collars. 14 aprons. 4 rods for deacons and stewards, formerly in use. Tyler's sword. Ballot Box. Photograph Album. Members' wardrobe. Aprons for general use. Frame and diploma of Dec. 29, 1797. Frame and diploma of September 6, 1804. Certificate of Shakespere Lodge, 1009, Manchester, England, Oct. 3, 1881. Wooden chest for deposit of archives in Security Safe Dep. Co. Gavel presented by Geo. E. Leighton, a gift to him by the Master of the Royal Solomon Mother Lodge of Jerusalem, Palestine. 34 volumes of Magazine, Charles W. Moore. Apron of Bro. W. M. H. Copeland, raised March 2, 1819, gift by his son, Geo. W. Copeland. Past Master's jewel.

Stated communication, September 4, 1899, the first in the new Temple. A book containing names of officers and members of the lodge from 1733 to date was presented to each member present.

December 3, 1900. First "ladies' night." The entire Temple was thrown open to the guests for their inspection, and a varied entertainment furnished them—concert, supper and dancing. The success of this affair was so marked that it has now become an annual event.

June 5, 1901. About 125 members visited St. John's Lodge No. 1 of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, the occasion being the 166th anniversary of its constitution. The party left the North Station on a special train at 5 p. m., and were met at Hampton, N. H., by a reception committee from the New Hampshire lodge. On arrival at Portsmouth at about 7 o'clock a procession was formed and, headed by the United States Naval Band and the Portsmouth lodge, the visitors were escorted through the principal streets to Freemasons' Hall, where they were welcomed by Worshipful Master Frederick Watkins. Worshipful Master Albert B. Root of the Boston lodge presented the home lodge a fac-simile of one of the three bunches of grapes which hung over the entrance to the Bunch of Grapes Tavern. The representation was in crayon, suitably inscribed and framed. The third degree was then exemplified, after which the party to the number of 400 repaired to Philbrick Hall, where a banquet was enjoyed, followed by speeches by Mayor Edward McIntyre, Worshipful Frank J. Philbrick of Portsmouth, Worshipful Albert B. Root of Boston and others. At 12:30 the visitors departed for home, arriving in Boston about 1:45 a. m.

Special communication on Thursday, December 19, 1901, at 814 Centre Street, Jamaica Plain, for the purpose of holding Masonic services at the funeral of our late secretary, Brother James W. Allen, who had held that office since 1871, a period of thirty years. Every officer was present, also several past masters and about thirty members, together with the District Deputy Grand Master and a delegation from St. Matthew's Royal Arch Chapter—a goodly number, which showed the love and respect of his fellow members. At the regular communication March 3, 1902, resolutions upon his death were presented by a committee of past masters and adopted by a rising vote.

March 3, 1902. Hon. James J. Myers, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and many members of the Legislature were present and witnessed the elevation to the Master Mason degree of one of their associates, Brother Wilbur Fiske Adams.

Special communication Friday, March 7, 1902. About sixty members and friends of St. John's Lodge No. 1 of Providence, R. I., were received and witnessed an exemplification of the work, afterward being entertained at supper.

Died August 31, 1902, Worshipful Samuel W. Clifford, Master of St. John's Lodge in 1883-1884.

At the regular communication June 1, 1903, the secretary, on behalf of Dr. John Dixwell of 52 West Cedar Street, Boston, and at his request, presented the lodge a silver pitcher which had been given to his grandfather, Dr. John Dixwell, by St. John's Lodge in 1817 at the conclusion of his service as Master of the lodge.

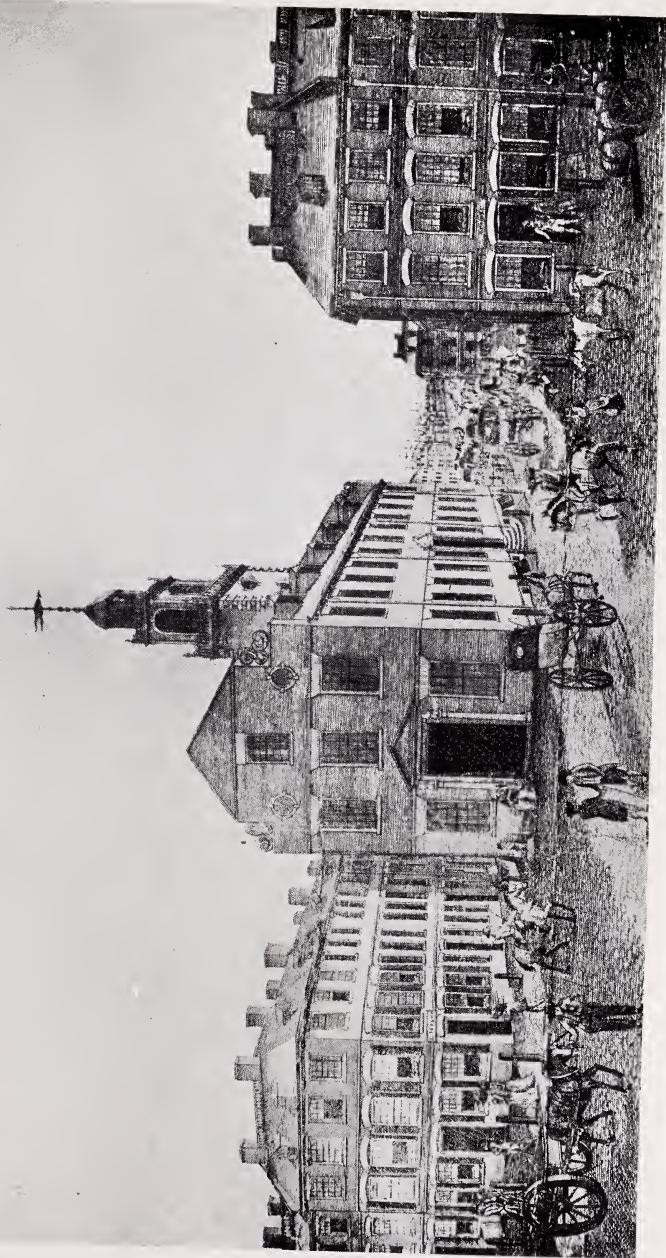
Dr. John Dixwell, the senior, became a member of the lodge in 1809, and was its Master in 1813-1816. In 1821-1823 he was the Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts. None of his children were Masons, and when his grandson, the present Dr. Dixwell, took the degrees in Masonry in Winslow Lewis Lodge in the '70s, his grandfather presented the pitcher to him. The latter, having no children, and feeling that the name would become extinct at his death, deemed it fitting that the heirloom should be returned to its original donor. The Worshipful Master in suitable words accepted the gift in behalf of the lodge, and a resolution of appreciation and thanks was transmitted to Dr. Dixwell.

The inscription on the pitcher is as follows:

PRESENTED BY ST. JOHN'S LODGE TO THEIR R. W. P. M. JOHN DIXWELL M. D. ANNO LUCIS 5817
JOHN DIXWELL, M. D. CHRISTMAS, 1885
PRESENTED BY HIS GRANDSON TO SAINT JOHN'S LODGE FOR PERPETUAL CARE ANNO LUCIS 5903

Special communication Saturday, October 3, 1903. This was an event of unusual interest and importance to the fraternity, as at this time the Honourable Artillery Company of London, England, were visiting the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston. Among the visi-





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tors were a number of Masons who were members of Fitzroy Lodge of London. An invitation to visit St. John's Lodge was extended by Worshipful Master Frank W. Thayer and accepted by the visitors, and between 400 and 500 brethren were assembled in the lodge room to greet them upon their arrival. Other distinguished guests were Most Worshipful Baalis Sanford, Grand Master of Massachusetts, Past Grand Masters Charles C. Hutchinson and Charles T. Gallagher, Recording Grand Secretary Sereno D. Nickerson, Grand Master Olin W. Daly and Grand Marshal George G. Root of Vermont, and Right Worshipful William Ross, M. P., Grand Master of Nova Scotia.

After an exchange of courtesies, the officers of St. John's Lodge conferred the third degree upon a candidate for the benefit of the English brethren, and then Worshipful Henry Jarrett, master of Fitzroy Lodge, assumed the chair in the east and his officers were escorted to their respective positions, These were:

Lieut.-Colonel F. J. Stohwasser, S. W.

Captain H. J. Bertram, J. W.

S. S. Faulkner, S. D.

F. H. Smith, J. D.

T. L. Green, Past Master

B. T. Mills, Inner Guard

S. Fortescue, Acting Tyler

Under these officers the third degree was conferred upon a candidate according to the English ritual. The work, which was most impressive, was followed with the closest attention and greatest interest, and at its conclusion our visitors were greeted with hearty applause.

After addresses by Grand Master Sanford, Past Grand Master Gallagher and Lieut.-Colonel Stohwasser the lodge was closed just before midnight, when all adjourned to the banquet hall.

March 7, 1904. Worshipful Albert B. Root, in behalf of Brother Frank W. Foye, presented the lodge a handsome gavel made from wood which formed one of the timbers of the Old South Church.

An invitation from St. John's Lodge No. 1 of Providence, R. I., to visit that lodge on March 25 was received and accepted, and on that date nearly 150 members of this lodge were welcomed at the station in Providence by a committee and escorted to Free Masons' Hall, where dinner was served. After dinner speeches were made by Worshipful Master Vickery and Brothers Presbrey, Littlefield and Shehadi of Providence and Worshipful Master William S. Heath and Worshipful Edmund H.

Talbot of Boston. During the evening Worshipful Brother Talbot, in behalf of this lodge, presented our hosts a gavel made from wood taken from the Old South Church. At the conclusion of the work remarks were made by Right Worshipful Samuel Hauser, D. D. G. M. of the First Masonic District of Massachusetts, and others, including the Grand Master of Rhode Island, and then all repaired to the banquet hall, where refreshments were served, and at about midnight train was taken for Boston. At the regular communication on May 2, a resolution of appreciation and thanks was passed and ordered transmitted to the Providence lodge.

October 24, 1904. Brother Enoch Paige, donor of two of the original bunches of grapes which hung over the door of the historical Bunch of Grapes Tavern, died, aged 87 years 8 months.

February 3, 1905. Brother Lorenzo F. Papanti, Marshal in 1886-1887, died, aged 61 years 5 days. Brother Papanti was in his day the leading dancing master in Boston, and his academy on Tremont Street, opposite the Boston Museum, now the Kimball Building, was patronized by the best families of the city and suburbs.

March 29, 1905. About twenty-five members of the Legislature, headed by Lieutenant-Governor Curtis Guild, Jr., and Sergeant-at-Arms David T. Remington, made a fraternal visit to the lodge.

April 30, 1906. Visit of about fifty members of the Legislature, headed by Speaker John N. Cole, of the House, and Sergeant-at-Arms Remington. Among the distinguished guests were Right Worshipful Everett C. Benton, Deputy Grand Master, Secretary of State William M. Olin, Past Master of Columbian Lodge, and several members of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

May 7, 1906. The jewel and apron worn by Worshipful William A. Leverett, Master in 1819, were presented the lodge by his grandson, Dr. E. C. L. Adams of Columbia, South Carolina. The gift was accepted, and the secretary directed to express the thanks of the members to Dr. Adams.

At this communication twenty-eight members of the Harvard Masonic Club, composed of Harvard students, visited the lodge and assisted in the work.

June 4, 1906. Right Worshipful Albert B. Root, Worshipful William S. Heath and Brother Frederick J. Brand were appointed a committee to consider the desirability of celebrating the 175th anniversary of the institution of the lodge, and directed to report at the October communication.

September 3, 1906. The jewel of Worshipful James Mills, Master in

1870-1871, was acquired from his family, and ordered placed among the relics of the lodge.

At the October communication October 1, 1906, Rt. Wor. Bro. Albert B. Root, for the committee appointed to consider the question of whether it is desirable to celebrate the 175th anniversary of the organization of the lodge, made the following report:

"The Committee appointed to consider the question of whether or not it is desirable to observe in any manner the 175th anniversary of the organization of St. John's Lodge, beg leave to report that in the opinion of your Committee it is desirable to recognize the event, and recommend that St. John's Lodge have a celebration some time during the year 1908, with exercises appropriate to the occasion. Also recommend that the celebration be carried out without expense to the lodge, . . . and your committee further recommend that the necessary funds be raised by voluntary subscriptions from the members of the lodge."

And thereupon Wor. Bro. James T. Wetherald made the following motion, which was unanimously carried, namely:

That the report of the committee be accepted and the recommendations adopted and that the entire matter of the celebration of the 175th anniversary of the lodge be referred to a general committee of nine, composed of the Finance Committee and six other brothers to be appointed by the Wor. Master, which committee shall have general charge of the celebration, with full power to arrange the details, make all the necessary arrangements, to attend to the matter of raising the necessary funds by subscription, and to appoint such special committees as said general committee may deem necessary and proper for carrying out and arranging the details for said celebration, said general committee also to have full power to fill any vacancy occurring in its membership.

The committee, consisting of the Finance Committee and the six other brothers appointed by Wor. Bro. Montague at the regular communication October 1, 1906, is as follows:

Wor. David T. Montague	}	Finance Committee
Leonard G. Roberts		
Frederick J. Brand		

Rt. Wor. Harvey N. Shepard  
Wor. John H. North  
Wor. James T. Wetherald  
Rt. Wor. Albert B. Root  
Wor. William S. Heath  
Bro. John C. Hurl



The committee organized and elected Leonard G. Roberts chairman, Wor. William S. Heath treasurer, and John C. Hurll secretary. Wor. Edmund H. Talbot was later appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Wor. John H. North.

November 5, 1906. Official visitation of Right Worshipful Albert B. Root, D. D. G. M., assisted by Worshipful William S. Heath as District Deputy Grand Marshal, both of St. John's Lodge.

April 1, 1907. Governor Curtis Guild, Jr., President of the Senate W. D. Chapple, Speaker John N. Cole, Attorney-General Dana J. Malone and about seventy members of the Great and General Court were guests of the lodge.

May 6, 1907. The lodge was visited by Most Worshipful Grand Master John Albert Blake, Right Worshipful Albert B. Root and a large suite of Grand Lodge officers.

Right Worshipful Brother Root offered the following motion:

"That a committee of fifteen in number be appointed by the Master to consider the advisability of the establishment of a 'Masonic Home' in Massachusetts and report to the Master in writing, with such recommendations, if any, as it sees fit, in time to have a copy of the report inclosed with the June notices."

The motion was adopted and the following were appointed:

Wor. Theodore H. Emmons, Wor. Frederick T. Comee, Right Wor. Harvey N. Shepard, Wor. Bros. J. Arthur Jacobs, John H. North, Fred-eric W. Bliss, James T. Wetherald, William A. Carrie, Edmund H. Talbot, Right Wor. Albert B. Root, Wor. Bros. Frank W. Thayer, William S. Heath and Bros. Charles H. W. E. Buck, Thomas M. Strong and Thomas J. Emery.

June 3, 1907. The Masonic Home committee appointed at the May communication reported as follows:

"To the Master, Wardens and Brethren of St. John's Lodge:

"Your committee appointed to consider the desirability of the establishment of a Masonic Home met at Room 1041, Tremont Building, on Friday, May 17, Right Wor. Harvey N. Shepard, chairman, presiding. A quorum of the committee was present.

"Voted, that Wor. David T. Montague act as secretary of the meeting.

"The purpose for which the committee was appointed was discussed, and at the conclusion of the discussion it was unanimously voted that

the committee recommend to the lodge that a vote be passed favorable to the establishment of a Masonic Home.

"A true copy of the record.

"Attest:                      DAVID T. MONTAGUE, Secretary."

This report was by vote of the lodge accepted.

November 4, 1907. Official visitation of D. D. G. M. Albert B. Root, assisted by Wor. William S. Heath as District Deputy Grand Marshal.

April 6, 1908. Legislative Night was observed by the presence of President W. D. Chapple of the Senate, Speaker John N. Cole of the House and about seventy members of the State government.

May 4, 1908. Visit of members of the Harvard Masonic Club.

May 9, 1908. Death of Worshipful John H. North, Master in 1887.

Wor. Brother North was prominent in business and church circles, a loyal Mason, and deeply interested in all matters concerning St. John's Lodge. His services are especially to be remembered in connection with the preliminary arrangements for the celebration of the 175th anniversary.

175TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INSTITUTION OF  
ST. JOHN'S LODGE.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION, SUNDAY, OCT. 4, 1908

At 2 o'clock p. m. the lodge was opened in due form. Worshipful Master Leonard G. Roberts was escorted to the presence of Most Worshipful Grand Master John Albert Blake, and presented to the following Grand Masters who had been invited to attend the celebration:

Joseph W. Eggleston of Virginia, George B. Orlady of Pennsylvania, J. L. Michie of South Carolina, Frederick W. Sawyer of New Hampshire, S. Nelson Sawyer of New York, Charles R. Smith of Nova Scotia, William L. Chatterton of Rhode Island, Thomas J. Shryock of Maryland, Edward E. Fuller of Connecticut, Samuel M. Gattis of North Carolina, William O. Wolfskeil of New Jersey, Thomas J. Day of Delaware, Edmund B. Mallet of Maine, Lee S. Tillotson of Vermont.

The officers and members of the Grand Lodge, with the visiting Grand Masters, were then escorted to Tremont Temple.

On arriving at the Temple the ranks of St. John's Lodge, numbering several hundred, opened and the Grand Lodge officers passed through to the lower front seats, those in the rear being occupied by the blue lodge.

On the platform were seated Worshipful Master Roberts, who presided, with Grand Master Blake on his right, Bishop John W. Hamilton on his left, the visiting Grand Masters, deputy grand masters, grand wardens, Rev. Edward A. Horton, Rev. Webster H. Powell, Rev. George W. Colson, Right Worshipful Harvey N. Shepard and others.

The order of services was:

Organ Prelude	Fantasia in E flat	<i>Saint-Saens</i>
	Bro. Charles S. Johnson	

Gloria in Excelsis	. . . . .	<i>Gounod</i>
	Male Chorus	

## Introductory Remarks

Wor. Leonard G. Roberts

Master of St. John's Lodge

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Brethren and Friends, —

To me as Master of St. John's Lodge it is given to-day to speak the opening words in these exercises commemorative of the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth anniversary of the institution of Masonry in America.

One Hundred and Seventy-five years ago, in the building then known as the "Bunch of Grapes Tavern," was instituted the first Lodge of Free Masons in Boston; and this is the event in recognition of which we are here met to-day.

For the proper observance of this historic event, St. John's Lodge has thought it well to invite to participate with us in these anniversary exercises, the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, the Grand Lodge of this Commonwealth, and the Grand Masters of the leading and oldest Masonic jurisdictions in this Country. Recognizing the importance and significance of this event, these Grand Masters have most generously responded to our invitation and because of their well-known loyalty and devotion to Masonry, we have the proud privilege of welcoming these distinguished Masons as our guests.

It was thought, too, that in a celebration of such a character the Masons of Massachusetts, so far as possible, would desire to have a part; and so a fraternal invitation was extended to the various lodges throughout the Commonwealth to come in such numbers as might be accommodated to take part with us in these services, and we regret exceedingly that while one hundred and twenty-five of these lodges are here to-day represented, yet, by reason of lack of room, hundreds applying for admission necessarily have been denied.

In the beginning, in making preparations for this anniversary celebration, it was decided that it was most fitting and proper that the celebration should be inaugurated by a great church service; and so to-day, with our hearts filled with gratitude to the All Beneficent and Supreme Being, under whose watchful care, through all the changes and vicissitudes of these one hundred and seventy-five years have been the destinies of this ancient lodge, have we come, marching with our open Bible, — the great light in Free Masonry — to this beautiful temple, dedicated to the worship of the living God, here to offer up to Him our thanks for His goodness to us in the past and humbly to ask for His help and guidance in the proper discharge of the responsibilities and duties of the days that are to be.



And now, as we are taught that no man should ever enter upon any great or important undertaking without first invoking the blessing of the Deity, let us all rise while our Brother the Rev. George W. Colson invokes the divine blessing.

### Invocation

Rev. Bro. George W. Colson

God's Glory in Nature . . . . . *Beethoven*

Male Chorus

### Scripture Lesson

Rev. Bro. Webster H. Powell

Chaplain of St. John's Lodge

Anniversary Hymn . . . . . Tune, *Adeste Fideles*

Written for the Occasion by Mrs. John C. Hurl

How rich is the past, with the treasures untold  
Of sacred tradition, and memories old;  
We sing of the blessings which crowned every day,  
The God of our Fathers has led all the way —  
The God of our Fathers has led all the way.

We sing of the fellowship faithful and true  
Which draws us together our vows to renew,  
The present is with us to shape as we will,  
The God of our Fathers is leading us still —  
The God of our Fathers is leading us still.

The future is calling: press on to the light,  
Oh, splendid the vision which dawns on our sight;  
With high aspiration our way to attend,  
The God of our Fathers will lead to the end,  
The God of our Fathers will lead to the end.

The past is our glory, the present our pride,  
The future awaits us with portals flung wide,  
What more can we ask, as we gratefully sing,  
God rules in His heaven, and is ever our King,  
God rules in His heaven, and is ever our King.

### Prayer

Wor. Rev. Edward A. Horton

Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts



FIRST MASONIC TEMPLE  
TREMONT STREET AND TEMPLE PLACE  
1832-1858



Response . . . . . *Lord's Prayer*

Adelphi Quartette

Lost Chord . . . . . *Brewer-Sullivan*

Male Chorus

Sermon

Rev. Bro. John W. Hamilton, D.D., L.L.D.

Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church

Lord God Almighty . . . . . *Verdi*

Bro. David M. Babcock and Male Chorus

Singing, America

Benediction

Wor. Rev. William H. Rider

Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts

Nunc Dimittis

Weber Quartette

Postlude      Fugue in D *Guilmant*

Bro. Charles S. Johnson

Music by the Following Male Quartettes:

Albion      Schubert      Weber      Harvard      Adelphi

Bro. Ivan Morawski, Conductor

Music Under the Direction of Bro. Charles S. Johnson

Organist of St. John's Lodge

## STATED COMMUNICATION, MONDAY, OCT. 5

The lodge was opened at 2 o'clock.

After the reception of the visiting Grand Masters, Most Worshipful John Albert Blake, with the officers and members of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, were announced and received with the usual honors.

As each of these distinguished guests was introduced, new and fitting



words of welcome were spoken to him by the Worshipful Master, and each appropriately responded. When these guests were seated Right Worshipful Harvey N. Shepard introduced His Excellency Curtis Guild, Jr., Governor of the Commonwealth, and later His Honor, George A. Hibbard, Mayor of the City, both of whom also appropriately responded.

The exercises of the afternoon were as follows:

Address of Welcome

Wor. Leonard G. Roberts, Master of St. John's Lodge

Response

Most Wor. Grand Master John Albert Blake

"Lord, Thou Hast Been Our Dwelling Place," . . . . . *Holden*

Quartette

Historical Address

Rt. Wor. Harvey N. Shepard

*Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Saint John's Lodge.*

When Freemasonry began it is impossible now for anyone to tell. Like some other world-wide institutions its origin is lost in the dim light of a distant past. But in its essential principles its birth goes back into that vague and shadowy period when in the slow evolution of ages man commenced to think and reason of the mysteries which surround him.

When he uplifted his eyes to the heavens and watched the rising of the sun in the east, the splendor of noonday in the south, and his crimson glory in the west, and watched the moon and the planets move slowly and regularly across the blue expanse, he bowed his head in the presence of some unknown and powerful Being, and worshipped God.

"The spacious firmament on high,  
With all the blue ethereal sky,  
And spangled heavens, a shining frame,  
Their great Original proclaim.  
The unwearied sun, from day to day,  
Does his Creator's power display,  
And publishes to every land  
The work of an Almighty hand.

“Soon as the evening shades prevail,  
The moon takes up the wondrous tale,  
And nightly, to the listening earth,  
Repeats the story of her birth;  
While all the stars that round her burn,  
And all the planets in their turn,  
Confirm the tidings as they roll,  
And spread the truth from pole to pole.

“What though in solemn silence all  
Move round the dark terrestrial ball?  
What though no real voice nor sound  
Amid the radiant orbs be found?  
In reason's ear they all rejoice,  
And utter forth a glorious voice.  
Forever singing as they shine,  
“The hand that made us is Divine.””

Belief and faith in God is the first test in Freemasonry, for no atheist can be a Mason.

The seed, put away in the dark earth, lies seemingly dead in the cold of winter, till, touched by the warm rays of the spring sunshine, it bursts from its prison and blossoms into life. So man conceived the hope of new life beyond the grave, and belief in another world, whither he might go when through with this. Freemasonry touches the resurrection and looks forward into the future life. Here we learn that when the embers of mortality feebly glimmer we need not mourn as those who have no hope but turn our eyes in confidence to the opening scenes of eternity. Freemasonry forgets not the Celestial Lodge above, nor is it ever blind to the path which leads to its golden gates.

Much more slowly came the conception that God is a father and we are his children. To be a stranger was to be an enemy, and even men of one blood recognized no ties beyond the narrow limits of the family or the village. There was need of a special messenger, Jesus Himself, to lead the world to a recognition of the brotherhood of mankind. The story of His life, and the teachings of Himself and of His apostles, the Holy Bible, always lies open upon the altar of Freemasonry, its Great Light, whence it draws all its inspiration; and within its walls is known no distinction of tongue, creed, blood, or color. In the very heart and soul of Freemasonry is the sense of kinship, the consciousness that we are brothers. It measures no man by this world's standard of high and low; it is above the smallness which makes blood or place the test of moral and intellect-

ual worth; and in the ministration of its rites and the bestowment of its gifts it knows no difference of nations. Every man, of whatever creed, tongue, or blood, may be a Mason if he join with us in full recognition of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of all His children.

Most of our signs and symbols, so familiar to us that generally we look upon them without thought of any special meaning, even as one sees the sun rise in the morning and set again in the evening, without inquiry whence he comes or whither he goes, nevertheless have come to us halloved by use centuries old. They are said to be upon the stones of the temples near which the Ganges pours his holy waters. They are found, we are told, in the great treasure city of Persia and amid the ruins of Babylon. The paintings in the dark and strong tombs of Egypt tell the same story. And it may be that, when the chosen youths of Athens, having passed the night of vigil, went up in the dark, into the sacred precincts of Eleusis, the signs and symbols, which they saw there, taught them a like lesson to that which they now give to us. The significance of the cornucopia goes back centuries preceding the dawn of the Christian religion, when men gave gifts, one to another, and came together in joyous festivities, to celebrate the turning of the sun from its southern course back again, bringing the light and longer days, and the blossoms, flowers, the fruits of spring and summer. When the picturesque homes of the guilds, the beautiful town halls, and the noble cathedrals of Europe were building, the craftsmen were organized into societies and made use of certain marks and signs as means of recognition. The square, the level, and the plumb, familiar to us in every step in Freemasonry, recall those days when its disciples actually were craftsmen and wrought with their hands. Now, not being operative Masons as were our ancient brethren, we give these only a symbolic meaning.

Freemasonry, as we know it, can be traced back a little more than two hundred years. It is found in Germany as a speculative order late in the seventeenth century. Frederick the Great became a Mason in 1738, and immediately thereafter ascended the throne of Prussia, and became an active patron of the craft. A century later the then Crown Prince, the first German Emperor, was chosen to a like position. It has always been among the northern Germans a flourishing institution, including in its membership eminent scholars, great soldiers, kings, and emperors. In Austria its meetings were long held in secret, both the church and the state being bitterly hostile. One hundred and fifty years ago it flourished in Hungary. There were innumerable lodges, and the craft everywhere was accorded freedom of meeting. But in the latter part of the eighteenth century Maria Theresa placed the fraternity under the ban, and one after

another the lodges were forced to give up their charters, so that by the beginning of the nineteenth century not one was known to exist. In Italy also its meetings were in secret. Now its life again is in the open, and under the shadow of the Vatican in a Roman lodge the principles of Freemasonry are the same as in the United States. The day when Freemasonry was looked upon as a vast, secret, oath-bound monster, plotting in the darkness of midnight, screening criminal members from deserved punishment, has passed away forever. In France it has existed with varying success and under many different forms. Very much of the inspiration of the Revolution was kindled near its altars. Its members trusted one another, and, because they trusted one another, they dared to go forward, and to a large degree because of them France became free.

Before the beginning of the eighteenth century order and system in the conduct of the affairs of Freemasonry in England were almost unknown. Brethren assembled, as inclination and good fellowship prompted, in their favorite taverns; and, whenever a friend desired to join the circle, they made him an initiate with very little of what we should call ritual. But in 1717 the four Old Lodges of London met in the Apple Tree Tavern and constituted themselves into a Grand Lodge. One of the first resolutions which they adopted was that the privilege of assembling as Masons, hitherto unlimited, should be vested in certain lodges convened in certain places and authorized to act by a warrant from the Grand Master; "and without such warrant no lodge shall be hereafter deemed regular or constitutional." This action of the London lodges met with general approval, a complete change was wrought in practice, a fresh impulse was given to Freemasonry, and regular warranted lodges under the authority of the Grand Lodge of England were established throughout Great Britain.

Six years later there came to Boston Henry Price, who was born in London in 1697. Later he went home again, and returned to Boston in 1733, bringing with him the famous deputation as Provincial Grand Master which made the beginning of organized Freemasonry in North America. Before 1733 the number of brethren in this country was very small. They were made in England; and, when we consider the time and expense of going home, it is evident there could be few additions. The Atlantic Ocean was very broad in those days, and it took a long time to get across it.

Henry Price, and the ten immortal brethren, all of whom had been made Masons in England: Andrew Belcher, Thomas Kennelly, John Quane, Henry Hope, Frederick Hamilton, John McNeal, Peter Hall, Matthew Young, John Waddell, and Edmund Ellis, whom he called



around him, formed St. John's Grand Lodge, the first Masonic body established in North America, upon Monday, July 30, A.D. 1733, "at the House of Edward Lutwych, at ye sign of the Bunch of Grapes in King's street" in Boston, upon the corner of Mackerel Lane, now Kilby street, near the water's edge. It was replaced by the New England Bank, which in turn was replaced by the Exchange Building. The sign of the tavern was four bunches of grapes, two of which are of the few precious relics which have come down to us from that early and memorable day. It was a notable tavern and the favorite resort of the patriots prior to the Revolution. Lafayette visited it in 1784. The meetings of the Society of the Cincinnati were held there; and its walls have heard the voice of our illustrious brother Mason, George Washington.

Full of zeal and knowledge, Henry Price went vigorously to work scattering the good seed right and left. On the thirty-first of August, 1733, he constituted the First Lodge, usually called the "Mother Lodge," to be holden at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern on the second and fourth Wednesdays in every month, dating its charter July 30, on which date the "Brethren having regularly met at the House of Edward Lutwych at ye sign of the Bunch of Grapes in King street Boston New England" had unanimously "agreed to petition our Rt. Worl. Mr. Henry Price, Provincial Grand Master, to Constitute them into a Regular Lodge." For the first half century of their existence the history of the Grand Lodge and of the First Lodge has been curiously intermingled; and the records of one body frequently report transactions of the other.

October 24, 1733, the lodge adopted its First Code of By-Laws, from which I quote four articles:

"IIIly No Brother or Brothers shall set any victuals in the Lodge Room while the Lodge is open, without the leave of the Master or Wardens, nor call for any Liquor or Tobacco without leave as aforesaid.

Vly No brother that lives within or about this Town that is not a member of this Lodge shall be admitted as a Visitor, before he has signified his desire of being a member and paying his Quarteridge, or else make it appear that he is actually a member of a Regular Lodge; unless by a dispensation of the Master and Wardens.

VIIly No Brother shall propose any person to be made without first asking leave of the Master and Wardens.

IX thly Every member shall pay at least two shillings more per quarter, to be applied as charity towards the relief of poor Brethren."

The whole code consists of on'y fourteen articles, brief and to the point, and so explicit that there is no room for doubt or uncertainty. It appears also from these records that the candidate was required sometimes

to clothe the lodge, that is to furnish gloves for all the brethren present, while at other times it was done at the expense of the lodge. The brethren of those days were determined that they would have clean hands at all events.

The establishment of St. John's Lodge in the largest town of the Province of Massachusetts Bay, then the most prosperous of the colonies, was regarded, even at the time it occurred, as of great interest and importance, and was participated in by many gentlemen of distinction in civil and military life.

We find these records:

"Decr. 5733. Nothing further remarkable happened this year only the celebration of the anniversary of St. John the Evangelist after the manner of masons when Our Rt. Worsl. Mr. Jas. Gordon was chosen Master of the Lodge. Masonry caus'd great speculation in these days in New England to the great vulgar and the small."

"5734 June 24. Being the anniversary of St. John the Baptist the Brethren celebrated the Feast in due manner and form, and chose our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Mr. Frederick Hamilton Master of the Lodge."

On the same date a charter was granted by St. John's Grand Lodge to the First Lodge in Pennsylvania. Benjamin Franklin, who was born in Boston on the site of the building now numbered 17 upon Milk Street, January 6, 1706, had returned to Boston, not having been here since 1724. Meanwhile he had been to England and there had been made a Mason. Upon this visit to Boston he became acquainted with Price, who in the language of our records, "further instructed him in the Royal Art." Upon his return to Philadelphia he called the brethren there together and in their behalf petitioned Grand Master Price for "a Constitution to hold a Lodge and Our Rt. Worshl. Grand Master having this year Recd. Orders from the Grand Lodge in England to Establish Masonry in all North America did send a Deputation to Philadelphia appointing the Rt. Worshl. Mr. Benja. Franklin first Master; which is the beginning of Masonry there."

In June and December of the following year the Festivals of St. John the Baptist and St. John the Evangelist were "Celebrated as usual;" and at the latter the "Rt. Worshl. Bro. Mr. James Gordon was appointed D. G. M. by Our Rt. Worsl. Grand Master Mr. Price, and the Rt. Worshl. Bro. Capt. McLean was chosen Master of the Lodge." This year also, June 24, 1735, a charter was granted to St. John's Lodge of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and December 27, 1735, to the First Lodge in South Carolina, the record reading:

"About this Time some Masons met at Portsmouth in the Province of

New Hampshire who petitioned Our Rt. Worshl. Grand Master Mr. Price for a Constitution to hold a Lodge there which he Granted."

"About this time sundry Brethren going to South Carolina met with some Masons in Charlestown who thereupon went to work, from which sprang Masonry in those parts."

In 1735 the First Lodge, by leave from the Rt. Worshl. Grand Master, for sufficient reasons then advanced by the Brethren, was removed from the Bunch of Grapes to the Royal Exchange Tavern in King street, which occupied the present site of the Merchants Bank, on the southeast corner of State and Exchange streets, and was kept by a brother of the lodge, Luke Vardy, a noted tavern keeper, who came from London and was admitted a member of our lodge in 1734. The lodge afterwards was known sometimes by the name of the Royal Exchange. The first printed English Grand Lodge Calendar, containing a registry of all the lodges, was prepared in 1736, and published in the latter part of that year, or early in 1737, and in it the lodge at Boston appears: "Royal Exchange, No. 126, Boston, New England, July 30, 1733."

The Boston Evening Post of Monday, June 28, 1736, contains the following account of the celebration of St. John's Day:

"Thursday last being the Festival of St. John the Baptist the annual meeting of the Free and Accepted Masons, they accordingly met at the Royal Exchange, King St., Boston. The Grand Master nominated and appointed Messieurs James Cerke and Benjamin Barons his Grand Wardens, and the Lodge chose Mr. Robert Tomlinson, Master, and Messieurs Hugh McDaniel and John Osborn, Wardens for the year ensuing, after which they had an elegant entertainment for his excellency the Governor, The R. W. Mr. Commissary Price, and several gentlemen of distinction being present."

On this occasion there was sent to England this letter:

"From the Holy Lodge of St. John Held in Boston, New England, the 23rd day of June, A. L. 5736.

Most Worthy and Dear Brethren:—Our great affection for the whole Fraternity will not permit us to slip the favorable Opportunity to give you sincere assurance of our due Regards from all our Most Worthy Brethren, regularly met in the Right Worshipful Holy Lodge of St. John under the Protection of the Heavenly Canopy, and in particular that of England.

Our hearty good wishes we forward to you under the recommendation of our Right Worshipful Brother, Mr. Benjamin Barons (our present S. G. W.) Whose great meritts has contributed very much to the flourishing State of Masonry in that Town."





NASSAU HALL  
WASHINGTON AND COMMON STREETS  
1858-1859





Then follows a list of the names of the members, forty-seven in number, of "the Holy Lodge of St. John held in Boston, in New England." It includes officers of high rank in the British regiments, stationed in the town, as well as in the militia of the Province, together with the leading merchants and professional men, thus attesting the correctness of the statement in the letter that the Fraternity in these parts was already "adorned with the most eminent gentlemen of the place."

In the years 1737 and 1738 there were celebrated as usual the Festivals of "St. John ye Baptist" and St. John the Evangelist, and "Our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Mr. Benja. Hallowell was chosen Master of the Lodge." Freemasonry was extended further by the grant of charters from St. John's Grand Lodge January 2, 1738, to Masters' Lodge of Boston, and late in the year to Annapolis Royal Lodge in Nova Scotia, "at ye Petition of sundry Brethren," and the First Lodge in West Indies of Antigua.

Benjamin Hallowell, who was master in 1738-9 and treasurer in 1741, was born in Boston January 20, 1699. He was his Majesty's Collector of Customs in Boston, and in addition to his membership in St. John's Lodge he was a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company. He lived upon Batterymarch street in the North End near his shipyard. On his way to England in 1738 he stopped in Antigua, "where finding some old Boston Masons went to Work and made the Governor and sundry other Gentlemen of Distinction Masons, whereby from Our Lodge sprung Masonry in the West Indies."

There are few localities in America around which the memories of the shadowy past more interestingly cluster than around the ancient town of Annapolis. Not only the soldier, the poet, the philanthropist, and the historian, but also the Mason, have contributed each his share to draw Nova Scotia and Massachusetts, Annapolis and Boston, the Annapolis Royal and St. John's Lodges, into very close relations.

"Monday, December the 29-1740. The Rt. Worshipful Bro. Thomas Oxnard, D.G.M., and a great number of the Brethren met in the Lodge, then was celebrated the Feast of St. John the Evangelist, a very handsome supper was prepared by the stewards appointment, and the whole entertainment of the evening conducted and carried on in the utmost perfection. Our Rt. Bro. W. Thomas Oxnard, D.G.M., open'd a Grand Lodge and was pleased to nominate and appoint \* \* \* his grand officers for the year ensuing."

"Wednesday, February the 10th, 1741. Being Lodge night \* \* \* Voted, That a petition to the Grand Lodge of England be made and sent with all speed for the Constitution, & appointing our Rt. W. Bro. Thos. Oxnard, Grand Master."

"Wednesday, July 8th, 1741, Lodge Night. But the house being filled by the members of the General Court, and no possibility of a proper room to hold a Lodge, Ordered by our Rt. Worshipful M. that the Brethren be summoned to meet him tomorrow at seven oclock in the evening being Thursday."

"On Friday, September 25, 1741 the Committee appointed by this Lodge waited upon the Honble. Mr. Belcher &c and made the following speech.

"Thrice Worthy Brother—We being a Committee by the Mother Lodge of N. England held in Boston to wait on you, do take this opportunity to acknowledge the many favors you have always showed (when in power) to Masonry in General, but in more Especial manner to the Brethren of this Lodge, of which we shall ever retain a most grateful remembrance."

Jonathan Belcher was born in Boston in 1681 and graduated at Harvard in 1699. He was made a Mason in London in 1704, was afterwards present at a Grand Lodge held at the Devil Tavern, Temple Bar, the Earl of Strathmore, Grand Master, presiding, and so far as is known was the earliest Master Mason resident upon this continent. At this time he was retiring from the office of Royal Governor, and the lodge voted "that next the G.M. the Late Governor of this Province is to be toasted in the following manner, viz: To our Rt. W. Bro. the Honble. Mr. Belcher, Late Governor of N. E. with 3-3-3=9." When he was appointed Governor of New Jersey a committee was chosen "in behalf of the Lodge to send a letter of congratulation to our Hon. Bro. Belcher upon his advancement to, and safe arrival at his Government of the Jerseys."

To avoid any imputation of partiality a committee was appointed to wait "on his Excellency Governor Shirley to congratulate him on his advancement to the Government of this Province;" and he in return assured them "that their loyalty and fidelity to his Majesty will always recommend the Society to my favor and protection."

Tuesday, March 6th, 1743, "Bro. Tim. McDaniel presented our Rt. Worshpfl. Bro. Thos. Oxnard, Esqr. with a Deputation from the Rt. Honble. Rt. Worshipful the Ld. Barron Ward Grand Master of England constituting and appointing him our Gd. Rt. Worshl. Bro. Thomas Oxnard, Provincial G. Master of North America." It may be there is an error in the date of this record as subsequently it appears: "The Right Worshipful Thomas Oxnard having received a deputation dated London Sept. 23rd, 1743, from the Rt. Hon. and Most Worshipful John Lord Ward, Baron of Birmingham, in the county of Warwick, Grand Master of

Masons in England, appointing him provincial grand master of Masons in the room of the right worshipful Grand Master Tomlinson deceased; which being communicated March 6, 1744, he was properly acknowledged, invested, installed and congratulated."

Wednesday, May 25, and Wednesday, June 8, 1743, the lodge was favored by a visit of Bro. Benj. Franklin of Philadelphia.

August 24, 1743, Brother Hall presented a "letter from the Lodge in Minorca which was generously Received and the Brethren remembered in due Order, when a Letter in Answer was ordered to be wrote and sent by the hands of Brother Hall, which was done accordingly, with a Token of 10 Galls. of Rum as from the Lodge, though it was really the present of Brother Hall."

December 24, 1746, "At the petition of Sundry Brethren Residing in Newfoundland Our Rt. Worshl. Grand Master Granted a Constitution for a Lodge to be held there;" and it was named St. John's Lodge of St. John's, Newfoundland.

The years 1749 and 1750 were years of Masonic activity. February 15, 1749, a charter was granted to the Second Lodge of Boston, and March 7 to the Third.

December 27. "At the Pettition of Sundry Brethren Residing at Newport on Rhode Island Our Rt. Worshl. Bro. Thos. Oxnard, esq., Grand Master, Granted a Constitution" for St. John's Lodge to be held there.

Wednesday, Dec. 17th, 1749. "Being the Festival of St. John the Evangelist the Brethren attended Divine service at Christ Church where was a sermon preached by our Reverend Bro. Charles Brockwell very suitable to the occasion, after which they repaired in procession to Bro. Stones and celebrated the day in an elegant manner, with true masonic decorum and order."

July 19, 1750, "at ye Request of sundry Brethren at Halifax, a constitution was granted to hold a lodge there and His Excellency Edw. Cornwallis, Esqr." was appointed their first master.

August 12, "At the Pettition of Sundry Brethren at Annapolis in Mary Land Our Rt. Worshl. Grand Master Bro. Thos. Oxnard Esqr. Granted a Constitution for a Lodge to be held there."

On the same day "At ye Pettition of sundry Brothers of Newhaven in Connecticut" a constitution was granted for Hiram Lodge to be held there.

Monday, June 24th, 1751. "Being the Festival of St. John the Baptist. The Brethren went in the morning in Regular Procession to the House of Mr. Richardson in Cambridge (Mr. Price's House at Menot-



omy being incumbered by sickness) where Our Rt. Worshl. G.M. held a Grand Lodge."

During the succeeding year the Masters' Lodge and the Second Lodge removed to the Bunch of Grapes Tavern. On Wednesday, June 24th, "Lord Colvill D. G. M. summoned the Brethren to attend him at the Grey Hound Tavern in Roxbury" where he held a Grand Lodge by virtue of a deputation from the Provincial Grand Master.

January 12, 1753, "At the Petition of Sundry Brethren Residing att New London in the Colony of Connecticut Our Right Worshipfull Bror. Thos. Oxnard, esqr. G. M. Granted a Constitution for a Lodge to be held att New London," and February 4, 1754, St. John's Lodge of Middletown, Connecticut, was granted a charter.

Subsequently, upon the petitions of these lodges it was "Voted that the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master & Grand Wardens shall be impowred & hereby are impowred to dispence with the said Lodges Conforming to the Vote passed in January last with regard to the Masters being Thirty Years of age they being Young Lodges are incapable of Complying."

At the Quarterly Communication of October 11, 1754, in Concert Hall, Henry Price in the chair and Benjamin Franklin present, a committee was appointed "to draw a Petition to the Grand Master of England for a Deputation for a Grand Master of North America." The petition is signed by the lodges in Philadelphia, New Hampshire, South Carolina, Antigua, Annapolis in Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Rhode Island, Halifax, Annapolis in Maryland, and New London, Middletown and New Haven in Connecticut. The brother nominated for this high honor was Jeremiah Gridley, commonly called Jeremy Gridley, an honored member of our lodge and then its Worshipful Master, who graduated from Harvard College in 1725, studied theology and occasionally preached, studied law and was admitted to the bar, and who later won a distinguished position, and was called by his associates "Father of the Boston Bar."

June 24, 1755, "Our Right Worshipful Bro. Benjamin Hallowell, D.G.M. summon'd the Brethren to attend at the House of Mr. John Gratoms in Roxbury to celebrate the Feast of St. John the Baptist and the day was celebrated with decency and mirth."

August 21, 1755, "By virtue of Our Right Worshipful Grand Master Summons" a Grand Lodge was holden in the Royal Exchange Tavern. Jeremy Gridley informed Grand Master Price that he had received a Deputation appointing him "Provincial Grand Master of all Such Provinces and Places in North America and the Territories thereof of which

no Provincial Grand Master is at present appointed." Bro. Price ordered the secretary to read and record it in the Grand Lodge Book.

October 1, 1755, at a Grand Lodge Communication held Jeremy Gridley, "appointed Grand Master of Masons in North America by the Right Worshipful, the Marquis of Carnavron, Grand Master of Masons, was installed in the presence of a great number of brethren from the three lodges in Boston and the Master and Wardens of the Portsmouth Lodge in New Hampshire."

The following year Richard Gridley, a brother of Jeremiah, a famous engineer and artillerist of Colonial and Revolutionary times, who then was the engineer of the army with General Winslow at Crown Point, was appointed by the "Grand Master of the Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons of all such places in North America where no Grand Master is appointed \* \* \* to congregate all Free and Accepted Masons in the present expedition against Crown Point, and form them into one or more Lodges, as he shall think fit." Accordingly Lake George Lodge was constituted May 13, 1756. Richard Gridley was apt in such authority, as in 1745 he had granted "a Deputation to a number of Brothers to Hold a Lodge in His Majesty's Twenty-Eighth Regiment of Foot at Louisburgh." Upon his return to Boston he became Master of First Lodge, and later was with Wolfe on the Plains of Abraham and at the capture of Quebec in 1759. He became a major general in the Revolutionary Army and commander of the artillery, laid out the defence at Bunker Hill the night before the battle and narrowly escaped capture, and constructed the fortification upon Dorchester Heights which caused the British to evacuate Boston March 17, 1776.

John Gerrish and "Sundry other Brethren of the Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons residing in Providence" made application to be constituted into "a Regular Lodge that Masonry may increase and Flourish in these Parts," and January 18, 1757, a charter was granted to St. John's Lodge of Providence, and "Our Right Worshipful and well beloved Brother Capt. John Burgess" was appointed to be "the First Master of the Lodge at Providence aforesaid." At a meeting January 31, 1757, "The R. W. G. M. informed the Lodge that the occasion of the meeting was to make Capt. Harry Charteris, Capt. George McAdams, aide de camp, Dr. Richard Husk, and Mr. John Appy, secretary to the Earl of Londoun, with Mr. John Melville, Masons (who came to town from Marblehead with Dr. Lowell on purpose to be made a Mason), which the Lodge unanimously agreed to. Our R.W.G.M. appointed Bro. Richard Gridley (the Master of the First Lodge) to make the above five gentlemen Masons."

November 13, 1758, a charter was granted to Louisburgh Lodge in Nova Scotia, March 20, 1759, to Masters' Lodge in Newport, and April 13, 1759, to Crown Point Lodge upon Lake George, where the brethren had been congregated, by virtue of a deputation to Abraham Savage, he and they being part of the expedition against Canada.

March 25, 1760, a charter was granted to Philanthropic Lodge in Marblehead, April 8, 1761 to Hampshire Lodge, on the same day to Surinam Lodge in Dutch Guiana, and March 20, 1762, to another army lodge at Crown Point.

"A Petition was read, from Sundry Brethren living at Falmouth in Casco Bay, Praying for a renewal of the Deputation formerly granted to Alexander Ross Esqr. now deceased, on which Account they reccommend William Tying Esqr. High Sherriff of the County of Cumberland for their Master; After a proper enquiry into the Circumstances of the Petitioners it was agreed that the Prayer of said Petition be granted."

July 21, 1762, we find the brethren in the British Coffee House, which was kept by Mr. Ballard on the site now numbered 66 upon State street, and in which the Second Lodge generally held its meetings. The preceding day having been Commencement Day in Cambridge the record states there was not a sufficient number present to open the lodge.

The following year there was brought to the attention of the lodge the matter of a building for the meetings of Masons, and a letter from Mr. Stephen Deblois, the owner of Concert Hall, being read, "it was unanimously determined to proceed upon the subject matter of said letter. The question being put whether it be the mind of this Lodge to purchase Concert Hall provided the sum of £600 sterling be raised it passed in the affirmative. The question being put whether this Lodge will give their stock towards the above purchase it passed in the Negative. The Question being put whether it be recommended to the Grand Lodge to call a General Lodge of Masons to see what subscription can be obtained towards the purchase of Concert Hall, it passed in the affirmative."

Friday, October 28, 1763, the Grand Lodge being opened, "It was Voted unanimously that Concert Hall, in which the Brethren are now Assembled, be Purchased, for the Honour, Benefit & Convenience of Free Masons at the Rate of Twelve hundred Pounds Sterling, and that a Subscription be immediately put about, to raise the said sum, towards Purchasing, Furnishing, and otherwise Accommodating the Fraternity for the Future.

But Mr. Stephen Deblois notwithstanding the Foregoing Vote and a Consequent agreement with him, sold the House to Mr. Nathl. Wheelwright the next Day, whereby the Subscriptions made for the Purchase



aforesaid became Abortive. To the Great disappointment, as well as Charge of the Brethren in their Meetings about it."

December 27, 1764, there dined with the Brethren of St. John's Lodge John Rowe, who was our Worshipful Master in 1749 and then was Deputy Grand Master, a merchant importer, for whom Rowe's wharf is named, and who later, at the mass meeting in the Old South Church, when the tea party was assembled, first suggested the disposition of the obnoxious tea by his question "Who Knows how tea will mingle with salt water?" The idea was received with great laughter and approval. He was an ardent Mason and patriot, and afterwards was Grand Master and colonel of the first Boston regiment in the Continental Army.

That often it was most difficult for the subordinate lodges to be represented in Grand Lodge is apparent, and sometimes we have evidence of it in the records, as for instance:

Right Worshipfull

"Middletown Augt 21st 5765.

We received Brother Quincys of the 22d July last by your Worships Order, desiring Our Attendance at the Grand Lodge or Quarterly Communication; at Boston the fourth Friday of October next, but the distance we are from you is so great as to render it prejudicial to Our Several Employs to attend at Quarterly Communications, have thought proper to appoint our Worthy Brother Edmund Quincy Junr. to represent us at them which doubt not your Approbation of to whom We have Sent our Charity for the Relief of Poor Brethren by Brother Sage.

We are Right Worshipful with the Greatest Esteem your Worships Most Obedient & most Huml. Servts."

July 26, 1765, a charter was granted to Harmony Lodge of Waterbury, Connecticut, October 25, 1765, to St. John's Lodge of Princeton, New Jersey, July 27, 1766, to St. John's Lodge of Newburyport, October 24, 1766, to Barbadoes Lodge in the West Indies, and on the same date to Norwich Lodge in Connecticut, Salem Lodge in Massachusetts, St. Christopher Lodge in the West Indies, and Virginia Lodge in Virginia.

These charters from 1733 to 1766, so many in number for that early day, show how eagerly the opportunity, offered by Freemasonry, of becoming acquainted with other people was embraced by our seaport towns. If we were to search the records of these lodges in Salem, Nantucket, Newburyport, Beverly, Marblehead, Gloucester, Charlestown, and Provincetown, we should see that most of their early members were sailors, shipowners, and merchants, whose business relations brought them into contact with foreign nations, and who desired that to their business relations should be added the Masonic ties of social intercourse,



good fellowship, and brotherly aid. With that bond of Masonry our merchants and our shipowners and our sailors traversed the whole world and brought back the rich treasures of every country, and wherever they might be, they found themselves in the presence of friends who would see that they were not wronged.

August 18, 1767, Concert Hall again had come into the possession of Mr. Deblois, and he sent the following letter to Jeremy Gridley, the Grand Master:

“Sir

Since I had the pleasure of waiting on you & Mr. Rowe respecting the sale of Concert Hall, the House is Entirely Cleared and is now kept Lock'd up to wait for the Consideration and Determination of the Society of Free Masons, of which you are the Head: Therefore I now take the Liberty to give You the Lowest Terms that said Building can be Sold on, which you'll find on Foot hereof; The greatest improvement is made from September to June, and I would only Mention that some Persons stand ready to hire the Hall to the Amount of 40 Pounds Sterling and another wants the Small Tenement which would let at 5 Pounds more,—therefore You'll be kind enough to cause the Affair to be determined as soon as possible which will much oblige them and

Sir,

Your most humble Servant

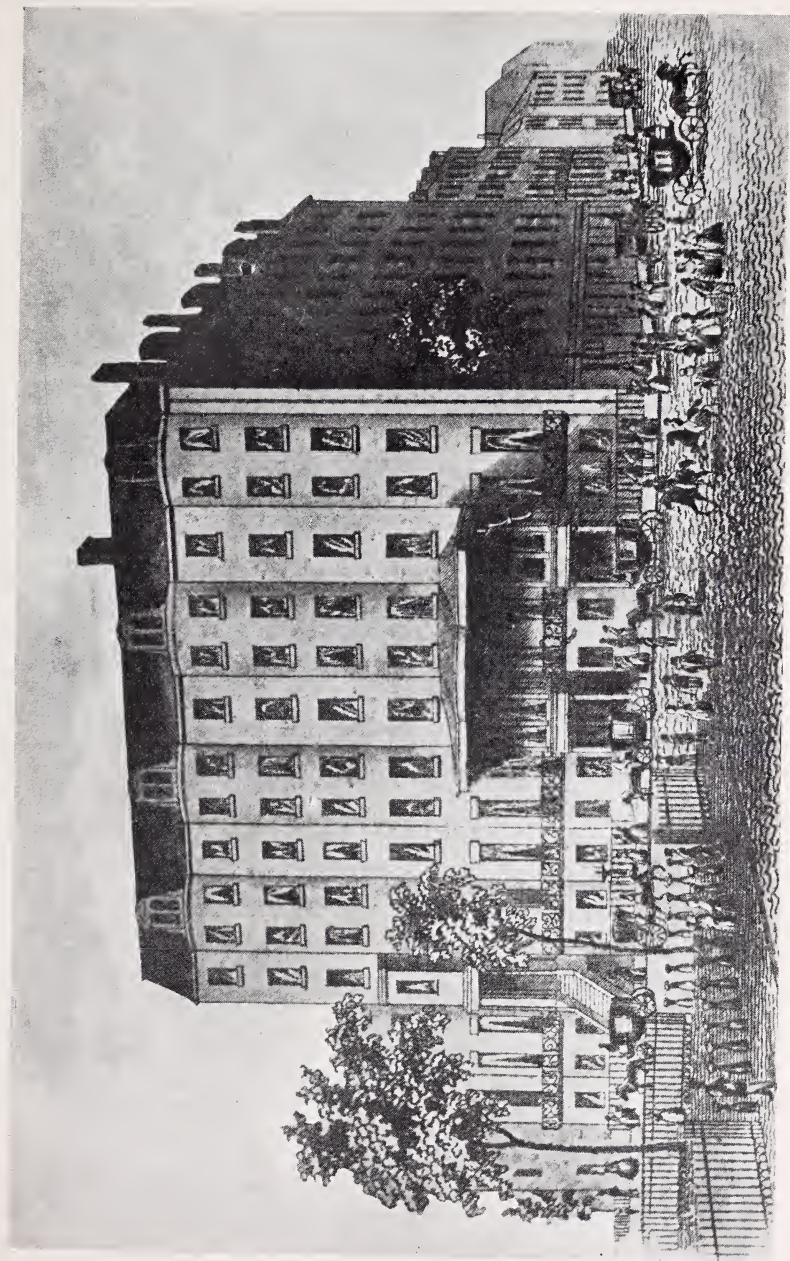
Gilbert Deblois.”

A meeting was held to consider the advisability of purchasing but the conclusion was that the lodge was unable. The Hall remained standing many years after the Grand Lodge had established itself in quarters of its own and many will remember it as a somewhat famous restaurant.

The Grand Master, for the first time in our Masonic history, died in office; and upon Saturday, the twelfth day of September, 1767, he was buried with great honor, the procession being described at length in the lodge records.

The remaining charters granted by St. John's Grand Lodge are those of May 1, 1769, to Compass Lodge of Wallingford, Connecticut, May 27, 1771, to Union Lodge of Nantucket, July 10, 1771, to Guilford Lodge in Connecticut, July 24, 1772, to Rising Sun Lodge in Boston, February 15, 1776, to American Lodge with the army in Roxbury, and March 23, 1780, to Union Lodge of Danbury, Connecticut.

October 5, 1768, a committee from the Grand Lodge, Brothers Richd. Gridley, Jenkins, and Cutler, presented the “Commission of the M't. W'l. Henry Somerset, Duke of Beauford, Grand Master of England,”



WINTHROP HOUSE  
(SITE OF PRESENT TEMPLE)  
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appointing John Rowe, Grand Master of North America. November 23, 1768, he was Installed by Henry Price in Concert Hall, with the ceremony which has been followed ever since. He writes in his diary: "This was a very solemn ceremony. After the Installation the whole fraternity proceeded in order and marched in procession from Concert Hall round the Town House, accompanied with two bands of musick the 59 & 64 Regiments, to Trinity Church. The Revd. Mr. Bass of Newberry preached from the 21st Chapter of St. John & part of the 20th Verse—the Disciple whom Jesus loved—After service wee returned in procession to Concert Hall & dined on an elegant entertainment provided by a committee appointed by the Grand Lodge, there were One hundred and thirty-four Brethren present. Wee spent the afternoon very cheerfully & in good order, which did honour to the Craft. I came home at eight of clock in the evening."

It is hardly to be supposed that many Masonic meetings were held in Boston while it was occupied by General Gage; and, when evacuation took place, Brother Thomas Brown, the Grand Secretary of St. John's Grand Lodge and Secretary of the Second Lodge, seeking refuge in Halifax, took with him his records, which rightly he valued highly, and they were not returned until 1787. But our lodge was not dead, nor dormant. It sent its representatives to the Grand Lodge, it worked the degrees, and it issued diplomas. There also are newspaper reports of meetings of the lodge in 1780; and on the eleventh of December of that year, at "a meeting of the Second Lodge of St. John's held at Concert Hall" five brothers were made members.

We find also in the unpublished diary of John Rowe the following interesting letters:

"Philadelphia, August 19th, 1780.

Sir:

I do myself the honor to address you, by order of the Grand Lodge of Ancient York Masons, regularly constituted in the City of Philadelphia. This Grand Lodge has under its jurisdiction in Pennsylvania and the States adjacent, thirty-one different regular Lodges, containing in the whole more than one thousand Brethren. Enclosed you have a printed abstract of some of our late proceedings, and by that of January 13th last, you will observe that we have, so far as depends on us, done that Honor which we think due to our illustrious Brother, GENERAL WASHINGTON, viz. electing him Grand Master over all the Grand Lodges, formed or to be formed in these United States, not doubting of the concurrence of all other Grand Lodges in America to make this election effectual."



Sir:

"Boston, September 4th, 1780.

Your agreeable favor of the 19th ult., I duly received the 31st, covering a printed abstract of the proceedings of your Grand Lodge.

I am well assur'd that no one can have any objections to so Illustrious a person as General Washington to preside as Grand Master of the United States, but at the same time it will be necessary to know from you his prerogative as such; whether he is to appoint sub-grand or Provincial Grand Masters of each State; if so, I am confident that the Grand Lodge of this State will never give up their right of electing their own Grand Master and other officers annually."

In 1783 the members of the First and Second Lodges asked permission to unite, and this was granted by Grand Master Rowe. The by-laws then were revised as follows:

"This Lodge of St. John under the jurisdiction of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, shall not exceed forty members, officers included, all of whom shall be Master Masons.

The Secretary shall fill a summons for each member and deliver them sealed to the Toiler two days before the Lodge meets, under penalty of forfeiting his fees every evening he is deficient.

The Toilers shall call on the Secretary at least two days before the meeting of the Lodge for the summons and shall leave one at the dwelling house of each member the day before the Lodge meets."

The next meetings of the Grand Lodge, of which we have records, were February 17, 1787, at Brother Samuel Dunn's house, August 4 at Bunch of Grapes Tavern, July 29, 1790, at Concert Hall, Nov. 25, 1791, at Bunch of Grapes Tavern, Jan. 18, 1792, at Brother Colman's, March 2 at Bunch of Grapes Tavern, and the memorable meeting of March 5, 1792, when the union of the two Grand Lodges was consummated, also held at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern.

At the Grand Lodge of St. John, held at Bunch of Grapes, in Boston, November 25, 1791, a petition was received from the Rising Sun Lodge praying to be united with St. John's, and the Grand Lodge taking the same into consideration, it was voted to grant the prayer of the petition. At the Special Grand Lodge of St. John, called at Brother Colman's Jan. 18, 1792, R. Wp. John Cutler, S.G.W., in the chair, it was "Voted that a Committee of seven, be choose to Confer with the Committee from Massachusetts Grand Lodge & Promote the proposed Union, provided it can be done on true Masonic principles."

Under the authority of a commission from the Most Worshipful George Earl of Dalhousie, Grand Master of Scotland, appointing a

Grand Master of Masons in Boston, New England, and within one hundred miles of the same, General Joseph Warren, master of the Lodge of St. Andrew, organized the Massachusetts Grand Lodge, December 27, 1769, in Mason Hall, in the Green Dragon Tavern, the property then and now of the Lodge of St. Andrew. The two wardens who assisted in forming the new Grand Lodge were captains in the 29th Regiment and members of Lodge No. 322, Ireland, in that regiment, then located in Boston. The withdrawal of these military lodges was supplied March 2, 1770, by a charter to Tyrian Lodge, Gloucester, and May 13 to Massachusetts Lodge, a branch of the Lodge of St. Andrew, the petitioners, without an exception, being members of it. A charter also was granted to St. Peter's Lodge, Newburyport, March 6, 1772. These are the only charters which bear the name of General Warren as Grand Master.

The two Grand Lodges, St. John's Lodge and the Massachusetts Grand Lodge, on the 5th of March, 1792, "by their Committee of Conference, duly appointed, having deliberately considered the present state of Masonry, and being desirous to promote the benevolent designs of this Antient Fraternity, do mutually agree in a Complete Union of the Grand Lodges aforesaid," under the title of "The Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts."

John Cutler of St. John's Lodge was the first Grand Master of the new Grand Lodge. One of his first official acts was to prepare a letter to St. Andrew's Lodge announcing "that a Complete Union of the Two Grand Lodges, formerly held in this State, is happily effected," and gently hinting, rather than urging the lodge to lend its aid to promote the laudable design to remedy "the deranged state of Masonry."

The Lodge of St. Andrew was not ready to accept the invitation of the Grand Lodge, and preferred to retain its connection with the Grand Lodge of Scotland. But December 11, 1809, the Grand Marshal informed the M. W. Grand Master that St. Andrew's Lodge had taken seats for the first time as a member of the Grand Lodge.

Upon the union of St. John's Grand Lodge with Massachusetts Grand Lodge its special and intimate connection with St. John's Lodge ceases; and the history of the latter thenceforward is single and direct, like that of our sister lodges. Before proceeding with it, however, let us turn to a brief consideration of its sixty years of history, not as of a distinct date or place, and without separation of its several parts, but a composite picture as it were.

Sixty years had elapsed since the introduction of Free Masonry into North America; a fountain from whence the streams have been numerous

and extensive. Within this period charters were granted for lodges in Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Canada, Newfoundland, the West Indies, Dutch Guiana, the Colonial Army, the American Army, and in Massachusetts. The American Revolution had come to a glorious end; the smoke of battle was no longer in the sky; the garments dyed in blood had been laid away; and sweet peace everywhere, like moonlight, lay on all the land. The sad memories of the tears, the trials, and the sufferings, of the dark days of the Revolution were being forgotten, and the whole people were beginning to reap the blessings of liberty and prosperity.

As we stand on the ladder of time, and look back on the sixty rounds then passed, we catch glimpses of the faces of brethren faithful to the duties they owed to God, their country, their neighbors, and themselves. It is to the memory of these departed brethren that we to-day offer our tribute of gratitude for the love they cherished for our time-honored institution, and for their perseverance and fortitude in keeping alive the flame of Masonry. Thanks to their steadfast patience and endurance, nearly all opposition, due to religious and political prejudice, selfish aims and ignorance of our principles, had ceased, and our order stood in its true light, as an institution which conciliates friendship among men of every country, sect, and opinion, having for its foundation the practice of the social and moral virtues.

The diligent toilers had left their summonses at the houses of the brethren, and they had passed into the lodge room of the Bunch of Grapes Tavern beneath the very bunch of grapes, this precious relic of the past, under which you all have come this afternoon. In those days it was the custom for nearly all meetings, Masonic and otherwise, to be held in taverns, partly because they only could furnish rooms of sufficient capacity to accommodate, and partly because they afforded the means of refreshment, which in those days was of more importance than at present. In the east is our first Worshipful Master, Henry Hope, the representative in North America of the celebrated firm of Baring Brothers, a high position and filled with honor not only then but later, not only by those illustrious brethren, already mentioned, but also by John Box, a ropemaker, warden of King's Chapel and one of the vestry, and one of the promoters in the building of the present stone church, and John Erving, colonel of the First or Boston Regiment. In the west and south are our first wardens, Frederick Hamilton and James Gordon.

Many a form I doubt not passes in fancy before your eyes as your minds travel backward along the years. The tyler is Robert Newman,



sexton of Christ Church, who on the eighteenth day of April, 1775, hung out the lanterns in the window of the steeple as the signal for Paul Revere, waiting on the Charlestown side of the river. It may be that his attention to these things interfered sometimes with the strict performance of his Masonic duties, for we find it recorded: "Brother John Jones and Robert Newman chosen Toilers for the year ensuing with directions for their attending more strictly to their duty." There are Andrew Belcher, son of Gov. Belcher, Deputy Grand Master, the Register of Probate for Suffolk Co., Thomas Kennelly and John Quane, Grand Wardens, Adino Paddock, who planted a row of imported English elms on the sidewalk between Park Street Church and the Granary Burying ground gate, Peter Oliver, chief justice of the Superior Court of Judicature of the Province of Massachusetts Bay, who adhered to the royal party and left Boston with the King's troops, James Otis, one of the greatest of the patriots in the preliminary conflicts before the Revolution, a "flame of fire" who in 1761 made the famous speech against the Writs of Assistance, which speech John Adams says was the birth of the "child of Independence," Abraham Savage, Grand Warden and Recording Grand Secretary, Col. Joseph Ingersol, in whose hostelry, the Bunch of Grapes, the lodge held its meetings, and Estes Hatch, who was captain of a troop of horse at Louisburg and brigadier general in the Army of the Revolution.

It seems that boycotting was not unknown in those days, for we find in the records: "Voted, that no brother present shall for the future take any newspaper printed by Thos. Fleet, or that said Fleet may be concerned in. Voted, that no brother present shall give any encouragement to said Fleet's paper or to him in his business, by advertisement or otherwise. Voted, that Bros. Oxnard, Ld. Colvil, Gridley, McDaniel, Brockwell, Rowe, & Price, be a Committee to wait upon the Lieutenant Governor and Council, to complain against a scandalous piece of ribaldry in said Fleet's paper, and pray their order for prosecuting the printer thereof."

Worshipful Brother Oxnard was a zealous member of the Lodge and we come across his name upon many pages, as: "The Lodge being opened our Rt. Worshipful Bro. Oxnard, G. M. McDaniel, D.G.M. & Rowe, M. presented to the Lodge three silver punch ladles to be deposited in the Pedestal, which were received by the Brethren, with the utmost gratitude and thankfulness."

"The Lodge being opened it was mentioned and thought proper by the Brethren, that whereas our Grand Master Bro. Oxnard was going home, this and the other Lodges in Boston should prefer a petition signed



by the several Masters and Wardens to the Grand Master of England, praying the enlarging and establishing our Grand Master's Power in North America."

This is an interesting record: "The Lodge being opened Brother Henry Price proposed Capt. Delabraz, as a candidate and acquainted the Lodge that he was a Gentleman who being a prisoner of war was thereby reduced but as he might be serviceable (when at Home) to any Bro. whom Providence might cast in his way, it was desired he might be excused the expense of his making, provided each Bro. would contribute his clothing, which the Rt. Worshpfl. Master was pleased to pass to Vote when it was carried in affirmative and by dispensation from the Rt. W. Mastr. & Wardens upon account of his leaving the Province very soon, he was balloted in, introduced and made a Mason in due Form. Voted That the Secretary grant Bro. Delabraz a letter of recommendation."

"It was Motion'd and Seconded, That when this Lodge Recommends a Person (To the Grand Master of England) to be appointed Grand Master of North America, that they shall desire that his Deputation shall be for three Years only. The Question being put upon the above Motion it passed in the Affirmative unanimously."

Our brothers were not forgetful of their Christian duties; for "Dec. 27, 1748 Being the Festival of St. John the Evangelist the Brethren attended Divine service at Christ Church, where a sermon suitable to the Occasion was preached by our Rt. Worshpfl. and Revd. Bro. Mr. Chas. Brockwell after which they repaired in procession, and concluded the celebration of the day in Grand Lodge at an Elegant Dinner with the utmost Decency and Decorum, after the manner of Masons. The Musick went on till Night, when the Hall was finely illuminated, by Seventy two Candles in the Chandeliers and Sconces, and by Nine large Candles in the several Lodges Candlesticks. The Evening was Spent in the foregoing manner till near ten o'Clock, when the Brethren mostly Retired." Neither did they forget the unfortunate: "Motion by brother Morton that the remains of the feast be sent to the prisoners in the Gaol, passed unanimously, & that the Grand Stewards be requested to see the same distributed."

Their zeal and energy were so great that they could not be confined within the narrow limits of one lodge, and on the 15th of February, 1749, Grand Master Oxnard "constituted in due Form with the usual solemnity" the Second Lodge in Boston; and March 7, 1748, "Our Rt. Worshl. Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Wardens constituted (with the usual solemnity in due form) a Lodge to be held at the White Horse Tavern in Boston on the First and Third Wednesdays in every

month, and appointed the Rt. Wor. Peter Pelham first Master." This Lodge of ye White Horse, or Third Lodge, two years later, removed to the Bunch of Grapes in King Street. "Friday, July 24, 1772, John Rowe, Grand Master, a petition signed by 18 members of the First Lodge on the 22 of June, 1772, wherein they prayed to be embodied into a distinct Lodge, by the name of the Rising Sun Lodge, was granted." Also there is the Masters' Lodge from the First, Second, Third, and Rising Sun Lodges, all which lodges were made from the First Lodge. Subsequent to the Revolution these several lodges came back to the mother lodge by memorials "praying that their Lodge may be incorporated with the other Lodges of St. John's."

Apparently it was somewhat difficult to secure capable tylers or toilers as they very properly then were called. "Mr. Simon Wyman was made a Mason, viz. That he is to serve three years as a Toiler and receive for his services the customary fees for each evening's attendance, if in the course of the time mentioned he shall see fit to pay the customary fees, for being made, he shall be excused from further attendance."

Time forbids other than a most hasty glance at the remaining one hundred years of our history. "September the 24th, 1792. The officers of St. John's Lodge taking into consideration the situation of the Town of Boston relative to the smallpox have thought fit to postpone the Regular meeting which was to have been held on Wednesday evening 26th day of September to the last Wednesday in October next."

"October 29th, 1792. The officers of St. John's Lodge have thought fit to postpone their regular meeting to the last Wednesday in November next for the same reason as is set forth in the last record."

"Concert Hall, January 13, 1800. The Committee appointed to confer with Massachusetts Lodge upon the subject of a union with this Lodge, reported that they had had a conference with a Committee of said Lodge, and they were willing to unite with St. John's Lodge on condition that this Lodge will adopt their method of working. Whereupon Voted that as it would be unconstitutional for this Lodge to relinquish its present method of working, this Lodge cannot upon any consideration whatever agree to unite with Massachusetts Lodge upon the terms which they have offered. Voted that on the next regular Lodge night suitable respect in Masonic style be paid by this Lodge to the memory of our late illustrious brother, George Washington."

"Concert Hall, March 26, 1800. Voted that a copy of the eulogy on the sublime virtues of Washington (pronounced in this Lodge by Br. George Blake), handsomely bound together, with a golden medal, be transmitted to the Grand Lodge of England." Two by-laws were adopted:

"Art. 1. This Lodge shall not consist of more than sixty members, all of whom shall be Master Masons.

Art. 2. All the officers shall be chosen by written votes, on the Lodge night next preceding the festival of St. John the Evangelist two thirds of the vote of all present shall be necessary to constitute a choice."

"St. John's Lodge, Special at W. James Viles No. 17 Court street, Thursday evening, 15 Nov. 5804. Voted that the M.W. Bro. Samuel Dunn, Bro. Shubael Bell, Bro. Robert G. Shaw, Bro. John Kennedy, Bro. Thomas Burly, Bro. Samuel Nye, & Bro. John May, be a committee to draft and bring forward a plan for the purpose of erecting a Masonic Hall in Boston and that they be authorized to confer with any persons who may be engaged on any similar occasion and that they report the next Lodge Night."

"St. John's Lodge — Concert Hall Nov. 3, 5807 — Regular meeting second in Quarter — Rt. W. F. J. Oliver, M. Voted that a committee be appointed to consider the expediency of removing the Lodge to Masons Hall to enquire of the present lessees of said hall on what terms St. John's Lodge can be admitted to hold their meetings in said hall. To confer with Mount Lebanon Lodge and ascertain as to the nights of meeting."

"Concert Hall Oct. 4, 5808 — Regular meeting first in quarter Rt. W. F. J. Oliver M. At this meeting of the Lodge Resolved that St. John's Lodge think it highly derogatory to the character of a good Mason to hold communication with any clandestine Mason and that no person who holds communication with any clandestine Lodge, Chapter, or Association knowing them to be such, shall be admitted to a seat in St. John's Lodge, and whereas an Association of men hold meetings at Roxbury under the title of Washington Incampment and have presumed to rank as Masons and assumed the right of conferring the higher orders of Masonry, to which they are by no means entitled, therefore Resolved that all communication between said Association and the members of St. John's Lodge be utterly prohibited."

"Exchange Building — April 4, 5809. Regular Meeting 1st in quarter. Rt. Wor. S. Bell, Master. The subscribers being associated as members of the Washington Encampment at Roxbury for the purpose of conferring various degrees in Masonry in a way and manner which we are now conscious are contrary to the principles and ancient usages of Masonry and totally subversive of the harmony and prosperity of the craft, do most heartily renounce and abandon said association forever, and freely confess this our error and solemnly engage to conform to the Edicts and Regulations of the Grand Lodge and constitutions of Masonry in future and request to be hereafter to be conducted as entitled to the privileges





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and hospitalities of Masonry and to our ancient standing among faithful Masons and brethren."

"Exchange Buildings—Celebration of the Festival of Holy St. John by St. John's Lodge Boston, June 24th, A.N. 5809. The Lodge opened at the Exchange Coffee House at 11 o'clock A.M. and at one O'clock in procession to the King's Chapel where divine service was performed by the Rt. Wor. and Revd. Bro. Asa Eaton and an appropriate address was delivered by the Worshipful Bro. Shaw."

"Exchange Hall, 23 Dec. 1810. Voted On Motion from Bro. Hammatt a committee was appointed consisting of R.W. Master Bro. Bell & Bro. Hammatt to consider the expediency of establishing a Charity Fund in St. John's Lodge and the means proper to effect it."

"Exchange Hall, 5 March 5811. The Committee appointed to take into consideration the expediency of establishing a Charity Fund having attended to that duty begs leave to report that they find the Lodge is now possessed of \$326.66 and that in their opinion it is expedient and will be highly honorable to St. John's Lodge to accept a permanent Mode to establish that fund under the name of St. John's Lodge Charity Fund."

"Exchange Hall, 2d April 1811. The Treasurer reported that he had received the sum of fifty dollars for the use of the Charity Fund from the managers of the Theatre being the nett proceeds of a Benefit Night for that Institution."

"Exchange Hall, 7 May 5812. The R.W. Master Wardens Treasurer and Secretary, Deacons, Stewards, Toiler and Marshall together with the major part of the members of St. John's Lodge, the Past Masters and other Brethren with the Chaplain all clothed in the Regalia of their order assembled for the purpose of celebrating the anniversary of the Charity Fund of the Lodge in the Lodge Room at 7 o'clock P.M. where they formed in procession and proceeded to the Ball Room. The sum of 200 dollars was collected and placed in the hands of the Treasurer for the use of the Charity Fund."

"Exchange Hall, Special Meeting. 17 Oct. 1812. Don Francisco Lopez was made an entered apprentice—Bro. Pemins and another Spanish Bro. acted as interpreters between the officers of the Lodge and Don Francisco Lopez, he being unable to speak the English language."

"Exchange Hall Saturday evening February 6th 5814. Special: Bro. Don Francisco Lopez to the sublime degree Bro. Canera acting as interpreter."

"St. John's Lodge Exchange Hall—Thursday Evg. Sept. 25, 5816. Special—On Motion of Worshipful Brother Nichols it was voted That a Committee be raised invested with full power to confer with the Com-

mittee raised from the several Lodges in the Town of Boston upon the expediency of providing a new Hall for their mutual accommodation and to act in conjunction with them or independent of them as in their judgment may seem most conducive to the interest of St. John's Lodge."

"Masons Hall, Exchange C. House, Boston, May 20, 5817—Special Meeting: This meeting called for the Special purpose of passing and raising Bro. Jose Correa D. Paiva one of the suite of the Minister Plenipotentiary from Pernambuco (S. A.) Bros. Miller & Story were appointed a committee to wait upon the Minister and Suite and inform them that the Lodge was in session and ready to receive them. They were accordingly introduced and received in due form. Bro. Jose Correa D. Paiva who had received the first degree in South America was ballotted for and unanimously accepted for the Second and Third degree in the Lodge, a dispensation being granted by the D.G.M. for that purpose, and was passed to Fellow Craft and raised to Sublime degree of Master Mason."

"Masons Hall—Exchange Coffee House, Boston, Nov. 3rd, 5818. Lodge opened on the Entered Apprentice Degree Proceeded to Initiate Mr. Samuel Dana. While passing through some of the ceremonies the Alarm was given that the building, that Grand Structure, the Exchange Coffee House was on fire which we were soon compelled to believe by the room being filled with smoke.

The Lodge was then closed without ceremony and by the time the Jewells and some of the most valuable articles of furniture could be saved the Building was all in flames, notwithstanding the Masonic Hall was situated on the Sixth Story of the building and the roof of the Building all in flames, yet by the exertions and daring risk of the lives of the Members and Visitors most of the valuable property of all the Lodges was saved.

This evening was appropriated by St. John's Lodge for the annual visitation of the Grand Lodge which drew a large concourse of Visitors to witness the dreadful calamity; who were very active in rescuing the property from destruction. At the time the alarm of fire was given the District D. G. Master and suite were in the Visitors' room preparing to visit St. John's Lodge."

It appears by the report of a "committee appointed to confer with the committee of other Lodges on the subject of procuring a place for the future meeting of the Masonic Institutions in Boston," that the Grand Lodge "hired the upper stories of the Old State House for the purpose at a rent of Six Hundred Dollars per annum, on a conditional lease of ten years;" and St. John's Lodge agreed to pay two hundred dollars, as their

proportion for fitting the new hall, being the sum assessed on St. John's Lodge by the Grand Lodge.

February 1, 1825, General Lafayette was made an honorary member by the passage of the following motion: "In addition to that respect which St. John's Lodge has been pleased to manifest towards our distinguished Brother Gen. Lafayette by inviting him to partake of their friendship and hospitality and the very happy and acceptable manner which he was pleased to reply to it, I beg leave to offer as a further testimony of the high sense we entertain of him, as a Mason, a Christian and a Patriot and for all those virtues for which he is so eminently distinguished, that St. John's Lodge, the most ancient and first chartered Lodge in the United States of America do admit receive and acknowledge him as an Honorary Member." June 17, 1825, at fifteen minutes past eight o'clock, in the morning, General Lafayette came to the Old State House, on State Street, and entered Masons Hall, where he met the officers of the Lodge. He stayed but a few minutes and left to be present at the ceremonies at Bunker Hill.

"April 3, A.L. 5827. Voted that St. John Lodge will appropriate the sum of \$500 or more toward the erection of the contemplated Masonic Temple, and that we will guarantee to the Stock-holders, so far as St. John's Lodge is concerned, our proportion of rent."

"A Communication was received from the Grand Lodge inviting St. John's Lodge to attend the ceremonies of Laying the Corner Stone of the Temple. The members assembled at Faneuil Hall on the 14th of October, 5830, and there met the Grand Lodge and walked in procession from thence through Merchants Row, State, Court, and Tremont Streets to the site of the Temple and there attending the solemnities of laying the Corner Stone."

"St. John's Lodge, Centennial Anniversary, Special Meeting at the Masonic Temple, April 30, 5833.

The Lodge assembled this evening agreeably to notification and in conformity to the Report of a Committee appointed in November last, for the purpose of celebrating the Centennial Anniversary of the institution of the Lodge.

Also present many officers who are past officers of the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, and Grand Encampment of the Commonwealth together with the officers and members of all the Lodges in the City and many visiting Brethren from the Country."



“The One Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary of the Institution of St. John's Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass., Monday Evening, October 1, 1883.”

Brethren we now have traversed hurriedly one hundred and seventy-five years of our history, and are met to-day to celebrate our anniversary. It is eminently fit and proper that our own Grand Lodge and these distinguished representatives of our sister lodges, and the Grand Masters of the old Provinces of the Dominion of Canada and of the original States of our Union, should join with us in this celebration, since they have a part as well as we in the early history of St. John's Lodge. From the little band of ten brothers, who met upon the thirtieth day of July in the year 1733 and constituted the First Lodge upon this continent, our institution has grown and prospered until now its members, thousands in number, are found in every Province of the Dominion of Canada and in every State of the United States.

Why has Freemasonry not only survived for one hundred and seventy-five years but also has flourished exceedingly? It is a long period of time and one in which the changes of the conditions of society have been so great that many other institutions which began with it have perished. Then a trip to Boston, and return even within the limits of our own Commonwealth, took a week of tedious travelling; now, one can come to Boston and return in a few hours, travelling many miles; while the fast trains of our great railroads will take one more than a thousand miles in twenty-four hours. In 1733 there was not a cotton or woolen mill with a power loom in the country; not a cooking stove, or a wagon with springs; no railroad or telegraph, sewing-machine or reaper; not even a common match. Men worshipped God in churches without stoves or furnaces, during the severe winters. The world in these days has grown very small in time and space. We reach Europe in five days; we correspond by telegraph with our friends in London with the same ease as with our friends in New York; we talk by telephone with our friends in New York, three hundred miles off, as readily as with our friends in Boston; and we do business with a bank in Calcutta as speedily as with one in Chicago. Our modes of communication have been so perfected that time and space have been conquered, and the whole world is brought to our fireside with each morning's issue from the daily press. The whole human family are brought in touch one with another; our knowledge of mankind is increased; our horizon is broadened; and our sympathies are quickened.

Freemasonry is the same today as it was then. The mysteries of the ancient peoples have faded from the minds of men; but evolved from them, purified and enriched by the Divine Word, moulded and fitted to

meet the needs of modern thought, Freemasonry has survived to bless the world. It has served to unite diverse orders, to break down barriers which have long divided, and has caused men to meet on the level where all other measures have failed.

In the Revolution, the beginning of the history of our country as a nation, Freemasonry held a most prominent place. George Washington and most of his generals were of our brethren, as also were fifty of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, and their names are held in reverence and honor, not only by our countrymen as eminent citizens but also in our fraternity as distinguished Masons. A half century went by and the change in public opinion drove DeWitt Clinton from the Governor's chair of the State of New York, and contributed to the defeat of John Quincy Adams as President of the United States. Many brethren withdrew from their lodges, many lodges surrendered their charters, and when our brethren did come together, it was in private houses, and at the peril of their social standing, and even of their property and persons. While many fell by the wayside, many more remained true, holding fast the principles and virtues of our craft, until at last the people began to recognize and admit their error, and lodges once more came into life. In the dark days of the Rebellion when the smoke of battle cleared away, you could see the silver line of Masonic friendship running from hearts loyal in the north to hearts sincere in the south, binding together the men whose lives had been tested by the level and the plumb and the square, and finally helping to fill the bloody chasm and cover it with the olive leaves of peace and union.

What gives Freemasonry its power and usefulness? What attracts king and subject, statesman and peasant, the learned and the unlearned, to its portals? Not its so-called secrets; not its ceremonies, impressive though they be. Secrecy in some degree prevails in all the relations of man. Masons adopt it as a convenient method to promote the noble ends of the fraternity. But the secrecy of our institution does not constitute its landmarks. It is of the least importance in the work Masonry is intended to do. Its beauty and principles do not depend upon these secrets, for it can and would live without them. It lives because it is a great brotherhood in the broadest and fullest sense, a brotherhood of man. It stimulates its members to be high minded and unselfish. Its ministry is one of light and love. It is not founded on wealth. It takes up the square and level, and moves among the sons of toil. It seeks to promote love. It aims to bring humanity into one grand union, to bring the high and the low into one brotherhood. The lessons it teaches are such as are founded on truth, the divine truth of its Great Light in which centre the

hopes of the human race. It grasps in its scope two worlds, the one of labor and life, the other of death and immortality. It exemplifies those principles which produce health, happiness, and prosperity on the earth and directs the seeker after truth in that way which leads to the Celestial Lodge above. It stands for peace as against war; for love as against hate; for charity as against selfishness; for religion as against atheism. Its hope and effort are the fulfilment of the angels' song: "Peace on earth, good will to men."

Withdrawing from the gaze of the world, asking nothing from its favor, independent of its power or opinion, Freemasonry lives a law unto itself. It stands for liberty. Every candidate must be a freeman; and, after his admission, he cannot remain a Mason without remaining free. It allows no shackles on body, mind, or soul. No slave-chains clank at its altars; no mind is curbed in its ambitions; and no soul is bound by narrow creed. It has ever been an army of volunteers. There never was a conscript in its ranks. Its pathway never was stained with blood; it never made the earth a slaughter-house; but in all time, among all peoples, everywhere, it has taught a simple faith; equality in its ranks, fraternity among its members, charity to its unfortunates. To call one's self a Mason and despise the Golden Rule is an inconsistency. To profess to be a Mason and not to keep the moral law is a fraud. The white apron of purity is our badge, and there is not a tool or an implement of our Craft which is not the symbol of virtue and duty. The plumb reminds us to walk uprightly; the trowel to spread the cement of brotherly love; and the square and compasses to guard our actions by righteousness and to keep our passions within due bounds.

Freemasonry teaches that material achievements are by no means the greatest achievements of which man is capable; and that he may from the heart of the mountain bring forth the ore there by nature stored, he may form iron bands and stretch them across the continents, and thereon he may speed his engine of steam and flame, he may chain the lightning, he may flash his thought from land to land, he may talk with his brother hundreds of miles away, he may weigh suns and moons, and yet come far short of the possibilities of one who is made in the image of God. It is when he shall add devotion to his Maker, and love to his fellow-man, and the genial spirit of fraternity shall possess his soul, that then and not till then he will rise into the realm of his greatest development.

Freemasonry lifts man to higher ideals, develops his moral nature, broadens and deepens his possibilities, and permeates him with the idea of the brotherhood of man. It is its glory that under its influence the walls of prejudice and bigotry, which would separate men, have been



broken down, and that men of every race and tongue can come, not as strangers, but as children of one Father, around its altar, and unite in adoring the one and common Father of us all.

My brothers of St. John's Lodge, the past is secure, a glorious record of which we are justly proud. For one hundred and seventy-five years this lodge has exercised its beneficent influence in this community. One hundred and seventy-five years it has striven, together with all the other means which God has appointed for such end, to transform the rough ashler of human life into that perfect product which it was meant to be. It has done its part in the ennobling of our race; it has gathered about its altar upright and manly men cemented together by brotherly love and affection; it has bound its members to aid, support, and protect one another; it has inculcated temperance, fortitude, prudence, and justice. For one hundred and seventy-five years it has consecrated those, who sought its shrine, to the following of that wisdom which shall beget strength and beauty of character; and it has guided them by faith, hope, and charity, to that starry decked heaven where the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides.

The present and the immediate future belong to us. Here within our sacred borders hand grasps hand in friendship, and like those who gathered about the Round Table of Arthur the king, we share our social joys. Here tolerance holds its seat and power, and meeting upon the level we part upon the square. Here liberty and equality are our watchwords and each may confide in those about him, and find help and encouragement in the midst of misfortune and sorrow. Here faith in all which is high and holy is abundantly encouraged, and we are taught abiding hope. Here the Holy Bible is opened before us and we are admonished to make it the rule and guide of life. Here by square and compass we are warned to govern our actions and keep our passions within due bounds. Here symbols and ritual are evoked to call forth all which is best within us.

Let us be worthy of the name we bear, the Beloved Disciple's, who, when one hundred years old, went into the city of Ephesus, carried in a chair to the congregation of the faithful, and there, in his tremulous voice, said to those who were gathered about him: "Little children, love one another."

Brotherly Love, Charity, Fidelity, and Truth, born far back among the mysterious shadows of the east, guarded and guided through the darkness of ages by Divine Providence, they have descended to us as an heritage and an inspiration, which shall endure until the heavens shall roll together like a scroll, and the echo of the Archangel's last trumpet shall be lost in an empty void.



Sometimes, brethren, we have watched a ship go out from our harbor, and our eyes followed the receding sails until they were lost beyond the curve of the horizon. The darkness of night has settled upon the deep, the storm has arisen in its wrath, the fierce winds howl through the sails, and the great waves break upon the decks; but in the glad light of the morning the ship has held on its course, safe and unharmed. So it is with St. John's Lodge. Some of the timbers are old, the waves of passion and prejudice have beaten upon them, and the tempest of ignorance and calumny has driven the craft as if to the verge of wreck and ruin; but it sails on today staunch and strong, with all canvas spread to the favoring breeze, and at the masthead the proud banners, with those time-honored mottoes: Faith, Hope and Charity, but the greatest of these is Charity.

May the blessing of God rest upon us, may brotherly love prevail, may every moral and social virtue cement us, and may the valuable tenets of our institution be transmitted through this ancient and honorable lodge pure and unimpaired from generation to generation forever.

"Strike, Strike the Lyre"

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#### Quartette

Presentation to St. John's Lodge by Rt. Wor. Albert H. Hunter, in behalf of Bristol Lodge, of Bristol, Maine, of the Masonic Diploma received by Commodore Samuel Tucker from St. John's Lodge, January 30, 1779.

#### ADDRESS OF RT. WOR. ALBERT H. HUNTER, BRISTOL, MAINE.

Worshipful Master,—

It gives me much pleasure to be with you this afternoon and to bring you this precious relic from one of your famous members, Commodore Samuel Tucker.

Of his heroism and achievements on the ocean, I will not speak, as they are a matter of history and probably familiar to you all, but will mention briefly his life in Bristol.

After the close of the Revolutionary War, he came to Bristol to live and was a resident of Bristol and Bremen about forty years. He was received by the people with great cordiality, and he and his family were always treated with the greatest respect; and the people also showed their appreciation of him by frequently electing him to office. Eight times he represented them in the Legislature of Massachusetts before Maine became a State, and twice afterwards in the Legislature of Maine.



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In 1820 he was chosen an elector of President and Vice-President of the United States, and was appointed messenger to carry the vote of Maine to Washington, where he was received with the honors due him for his services during the Revolutionary War. He also held minor offices in Bristol and also in Bremen after it was incorporated as a town. He died in March, 1833, aged 86 years and was buried in the rural cemetery in Bremen with his kindred who had preceded him.

After his death his diploma and apron were handed down from one of his descendants to another until they came into the hands of Leander Morton, a member of Bristol Lodge, who saw the value of them as relics, had them framed and brought them to the Lodge room, where they have been ever since. Our Secretary, Bro. E. J. Ervine, has searched the records carefully to see if there was any record of their presentation to the Lodge, but could find no mention of them. These relics have graced the walls of our Lodge room for so many years that I have been unable to find any one who could remember when they were brought there, or give any information about them. We have taken much pleasure in showing them to our visitors and probably it was through some chance visitor to our Lodge that St. John's Lodge found out that we had them, and when Bro. Littlefield came to us last March and told us that you looked on these relics with longing eyes; that you wanted them; asked us to give them up to you, perhaps you may be able to judge what our feelings were; how at first we thought we could not let them go but, on careful consideration, we could see how much more valuable they were to you than to us, and we reluctantly consented to part with the diploma, and loan you the apron to be put on exhibition during this Anniversary celebration.

Now, therefore, Worshipful Master, I come to you in the name of Bristol Lodge, No. 74, Bristol, Maine, to extend to you fraternal greetings on this happy occasion, and to place in your hands, as the official head of St. John's Lodge, this precious treasure, this relic of one of your most famous members, the diploma of Commodore Samuel Tucker, knowing that you will preserve it carefully through the coming generations, and may your pleasure in receiving it be equal to ours in giving it, and may the friendship and fraternal relationship between the two Lodges be as lasting as the rock-bound shores of Maine.

Response

Wor. Leonard G. Roberts

Right Worshipful Brother Hunter:—

With the keenest appreciation of the privilege and high honor I accept in behalf of St. John's Lodge this priceless treasure—the diploma of one



of her most illustrious members, our brother Commodore Samuel Tucker. Be assured that the brethren of St. John's Lodge appreciate in the fullest degree the fraternal spirit which has prompted the brethren of Bristol Lodge to part with this diploma, which for so many years has been a part of the decorations of your Lodge room, and the object of so much pride to you and pleasure to visiting brethren.

To me, as Master of St. John's Lodge, it is especially pleasing to receive through you, Right Worshipful Brother Hunter, this Masonic diploma so carefully preserved through all these years. I am pleased to receive it because it is presented by Bristol Lodge of my own native State of Maine—and particularly am I pleased to receive it because this diploma presented to Brother Tucker by St. John's Lodge in 1779 supplies for our archives written evidence of work done by this historic old Lodge at a time when owing to the disturbed conditions of those Revolutionary Days the records of our Lodge are missing—and so, while it was so long and highly prized by the brethren of Bristol Lodge, it is of inestimable value and significance to us.

I can well understand how the brethren of your Lodge could not lightly part with so valuable a relic, but I feel that under the circumstances the value of this diploma to Brother Tucker's mother Lodge is so great that you must all have a feeling of pride and satisfaction in making this most important contribution to the significant events of this 175th anniversary celebration. I believe you are but carrying out what the distinguished brother to whom it was given in 1779 himself would wish to have done. Methinks if we could hear him speaking to us to-day we should hear him say—"Take back to my mother Lodge who gave it me this diploma and say to her that through all the years of change and vicissitude I bore with me wherever I went on land and sea this Masonic diploma, ever cherishing it and guarding it from all dishonor, and now it is returned to her, bearing upon it no stains save those of the salty sea so long my home."

I am glad and indeed it is most fitting that on this occasion you, my Right Worshipful Brother, have made reference to the patriotic service rendered to his State and nation by this distinguished brother, and it is because of these things,—because of the honorable achievements, the illustrious service, and noble living of this truly great man, as well as its historical importance, that we to-day so greatly rejoice in the possession of his Masonic diploma.

In due time you may expect that more formal and appropriate action will be taken by St. John's Lodge in recognition of this rare gift, but for the present I bid you say to the brethren of Bristol Lodge that we most

profoundly appreciate their generous action and we assure you, Right Worshipful Brother Hunter, and the members of Bristol Lodge that this diploma will be placed in the archives of St. John's Lodge among our other historical relics, there to be forever cherished and preserved as one of our most precious possessions.

Most Worshipful Joseph H. Eggleston, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, then spoke as follows:

Most Worshipful Sir

Worshipful Master and

Brethren of St. John's Lodge:—

I feel, standing here, that, like Moses of old, I should "put off the shoes from off my feet," for the ground whereon I stand is holy ground. The Masons of Massachusetts and of Virginia are linked together by many, many ties. But that your fathers had him here near Boston, in command of the American Army, defending their homes, that greatest of men, and that Virginian Mason, George Washington, would have worn this jewel I now wear, as our first Grand Master. It is the only one the Grand Lodge of Virginia ever had and has been worn by each of my predecessors for one hundred and thirty years.

Our colony was older than yours—your Masonry antedated ours. To mate with your Henry Price, we give you Governor John Blair, our first Grand Master; and for your Paul Revere, our George Washington.

Virginia and Massachusetts—the two first permanent English colonies—are the pillars on which has been erected the Royal Arch of American civil and religious liberty, the Keystone of which is our Masonic Motto:—

The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

They have not always been friends; but when not friends, they were worthy, honorable foes. There was a time, which few of you can remember, when fearful strife divided us. You younger men could never realize, were I competent to depict to you, the intensity of the hate of North against South, and of South against North. To me, and to the few of you who fought in ours, the greatest of Wars, those memories are and will ever be, a nightmare burned into our very souls. The hate, prejudice, and malice of those days were a contagious insanity. Without that insanity wars could never come. Nothing was too vile and mean for men, women, and children to believe and say of their mortal foes. Even the worship of our common Father in Temples dedicated to the Prince of Peace, was

pervverted into malediction against our enemies, and the calling down of the wrath of the God of Battles on our foes. This was true with us, and equally true with you. And yet there was one Institution, and one alone, which lifted its votaries up above the passions of war, and that was Masonry. Masons on both sides remembered that our obligations to each other existed before wars were, and will continue after they are forgotten. Prisoners were set free, the hungry fed, and the naked clothed, because they were Masons. I, myself, know of one case in which one of eight of your soldiers, selected by lot to be hanged in retaliation, was exchanged for another prisoner and escaped hanging solely because he was of our Brotherhood. William McKinley was made a Mason in Winchester, Virginia, seeking our portals because he saw our dirty, ragged privates mixed in with his own brother officers in the hospital, and given extra, tender care by their Masonic brethren in blue. I could stand here for hours and relate incidents of like character. Incidents of life saved by foes, both blue and gray, when in the night, under the pitiless rain, the moans of wounded and dying were mingled with our cry of distress, never, to my knowledge, unheeded by Masons on either side.

You have here the oldest Masonic Lodge. Its history and traditions are known and honored all over our broad land. When I received your Worshipful Master's kind invitation, I was greatly moved. I began thinking how I could best show to you my deep feeling for this high privilege. I remembered that there still stands in Richmond, Virginia, an old building, once in its fashionable center, now in its slums, the oldest Masonic Hall in America. Fond memories cluster around it, which I want you to share. It has been used for Masonic purposes alone for One Hundred and Twenty-three Years. Great men and Masons have entered its doors and sat around its two great fireplaces, where cord wood could still be burned. Men in low shoes, with silver buckles, silk stockings, and knee breeches, ruffled shirts, high stocks, and with powdered hair, tied in queues. Lafayette and his staff visited Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, which still meets there and owns the building. Their signatures adorn the records of that Lodge, which records are unbroken back to 1787.

On the morning of April 3rd, 1863, when all that remained of our "thin, gray line" had left the city, crossed over the river and burned the bridges, the army in blue came marching in. As a column of cavalry rode slowly up Franklin Street, because Main was burning, the Colonel of the leading regiment (I wish I knew his name) saw this old Masonic Hall. In all that turmoil and excitement, while one-third of the city was on fire, when thousands of negro slaves had been set free in a moment; when

spies, deserters and criminals were creeping from their hiding places to burn and pillage; all law and order gone; he called a halt. He detailed a guard under a Captain, all Masons, and put them in charge of that building, with orders to admit none but Masons. This saved the building and its priceless contents. Nor was this all. A few days later, a Pennsylvania Mason (bowing to Grand Master Orlady), Gen. Weitzell, in command of the city, sought out the Master of one of the two lodges which then met there, and asked him to call a meeting. At that meeting there were present a few old men, some crippled Confederates, and throngs of splendid men in blue, striving to devise measures of relief for the families of those who were still fighting their army toward Appomattox. One of them left his sabre in the ante-room, and it is there yet, a precious relic.

To add one more link to the holy chain which binds us to you and you to us, I have had made for you a souvenir. I am going to present it to you, not for its intrinsic worth or value, but that it may be laid up with the records in the archives of your lodge as a memorial that I have herein been admitted. It is very simple, consisting, as you see, of a silver shield, on which is fastened a square, compasses and G made of old nails, hammered out by hand on an anvil and driven in that old building One Hundred and Twenty-three Years ago. They still retain their form as nails, and that you may know that they are authentic, I will state, by his request, that they were extracted from the building by a Past Master and the present Secretary of the Lodge, and given to me for this purpose. On the back of the shield is this inscription:

“Presented to St. John's Lodge, Boston, Mass., Oct. 5, 1908, at the celebration of their one hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary by Joseph William Eggleston, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

This jewel is made of nails from Masons Hall, Richmond, Virginia, erected in 1785, and continuously used for Masonic purposes alone to the present day. It was for many years the Home of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.”

I present it to you, Worshipful Sir, for your lodge. May it serve to remind you of the ties that bind us to you and you to us, and

“May God be with you now and evermore.”



In response Worshipful Master Roberts said:

Right Worshipful Brother Eggleston:—

You have indeed added a new and unexpected glory to the incidents of this historic day. In the thrill and majesty of this moment, in the midst of these applauding brethren, with heart touched by the warmth of your Virginia eloquence, I find no language at my command in any measure adequate to express all that I feel as from your hands I gratefully accept in behalf of St. John's Lodge this splendidly significant testimonial of the good will and affection of the Masons of Virginia for the Masons of Massachusetts.

You, Right Worshipful Sir, have spoken of a period when the feelings of the peoples of Virginia and Massachusetts were not of the most cordial sort. But whatever were their mutual feelings then these brethren standing and applauding your noble Virginia sentiments have made it unmistakably plain that you to-day have won their hearts and better than any words of mine have shown to you the warmth and depth of the affection of the Massachusetts brethren for the brethren of the Old Dominion. We are reminded again by your eloquent reference to that greatest of all Masons, the illustrious father of his country, of the many sacrifices that great Virginian made for his country and of how much we owe to Virginia and to him for his matchless contribution to the cause of liberty.

I can think of no more significant and welcome gift than this beautiful shield with its emblazonry of symbols and the letter G fashioned from the nails taken from your historic Masons Hall in Richmond—and as fond and dear memories of other days cluster around this old Masonic edifice so in the coming years shall we of St. John's Lodge, beholding this shield and these riveting nails, be reminded of this hour and inspired and admonished to keep as bright and shining as this burnished shield the light of our mutual friendships. As Master of this oldest lodge in America I am proud and pleased indeed to receive from so distinguished a Mason this souvenir of the oldest Masonic building in this country, and accepting it in behalf of St. John's Lodge I assure you, Right Worshipful Sir, that it will forever be kept and treasured by us as a gift priceless beyond the touch of words. I thank you and through you the Masons of Virginia for their kind thought in thus honoring us with so rare a gift, and I bid you to bear back from us to them this sentiment—Virginia and Massachusetts, Dominion and Commonwealth, leaders together in the great cause of Freedom, may the patriotism and brotherly love animating their sons in those early and these later days be transmitted unimpaired to all the generations yet to be!

Bass Solo, "The Mariner's Home's the Sea," . . . . . Randiger  
Dr. Clark

Recollections of Some Distinguished Members of St. John's Lodge  
Rt. Wor. Sereno D. Nickerson, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge  
of Massachusetts

"At the Altar of Truth" . . . . . Mohr  
Quartette

Closing of the Lodge

Schubert Quartette

Bro. Daggett's Orchestra

Bro. Charles S. Johnson, Organist

These exercises were followed by a banquet, at which more than 500 members of the craft were seated.

When the brethren of the lodge, with their guests, marched into the banquet hall in the basement of the temple to the music of "Onward, Christian Soldiers," played by the orchestra, they were at once impressed with the beauty and historical significance of the decorations with which the room was adorned. The bunch of grapes has come to be the historical symbol of this lodge, and the chief decorative feature was the bunches of grapes which, with maple leaves, covered the arc lights.

The walls were festooned, the pillars hung and the ceiling roped with laurel, and as the diners were seated incandescents hidden in these ropes flashed up. Asters and dahlias were the floral decorations.

Above the seat occupied by the Worshipful Master of the lodge, Leonard G. Roberts, who presided and was also toastmaster, was a shield in electric bulbs with the tools of the craft and the dates 1733 and 1908. On either side were the seal of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and of the Commonwealth.

When the toastmaster arose, he read the following letters:

The White House,  
Washington.

May 16, 1908.

Worshipful and Dear Sir:

Please accept for yourself and the members of St. John's Lodge my high appreciation of the invitation to attend your One Hundred and Seventy-fifth Anniversary Celebration, which I regret very much to be unable to accept.

One hundred and seventy-five years of active existence is a magnificent

record, and while tendering my hearty congratulations upon such an evidence of prosperity, I extend to the lodge my best wishes that its activity may continue uninterrupted until the end of time.

Fraternally yours,

Theodore Roosevelt.

Leonard G. Roberts, Esq.,  
Worshipful Master,  
St. John's Lodge, A. F. and A. M.,  
Boston, Mass.

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United Grand Lodge of England.  
Freemason's Hall,  
Great Queen St., London, W. C.  
25th August, 1908.

Dear Sir and Worshipful Brother:

I am desired by the Duke of Connaught, Most Worshipful Grand Master, to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 6th July, inviting His Royal Highness to be present at the Celebration of the 175th Anniversary of the St. John's Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Boston, U. S. A., in October next.

His Royal Highness regrets his inability to avail himself of the most kind invitation to attend on so interesting an occasion as that proposed to be celebrated, and to ask the lodge to accept his heartiest congratulations on the event and to express a fervent hope that the prosperity of the lodge, which I believe was the first one warranted in America by the Grand Lodge of Eng'and, may be continued.

I am, Dear Sir and Worshipful Brother,

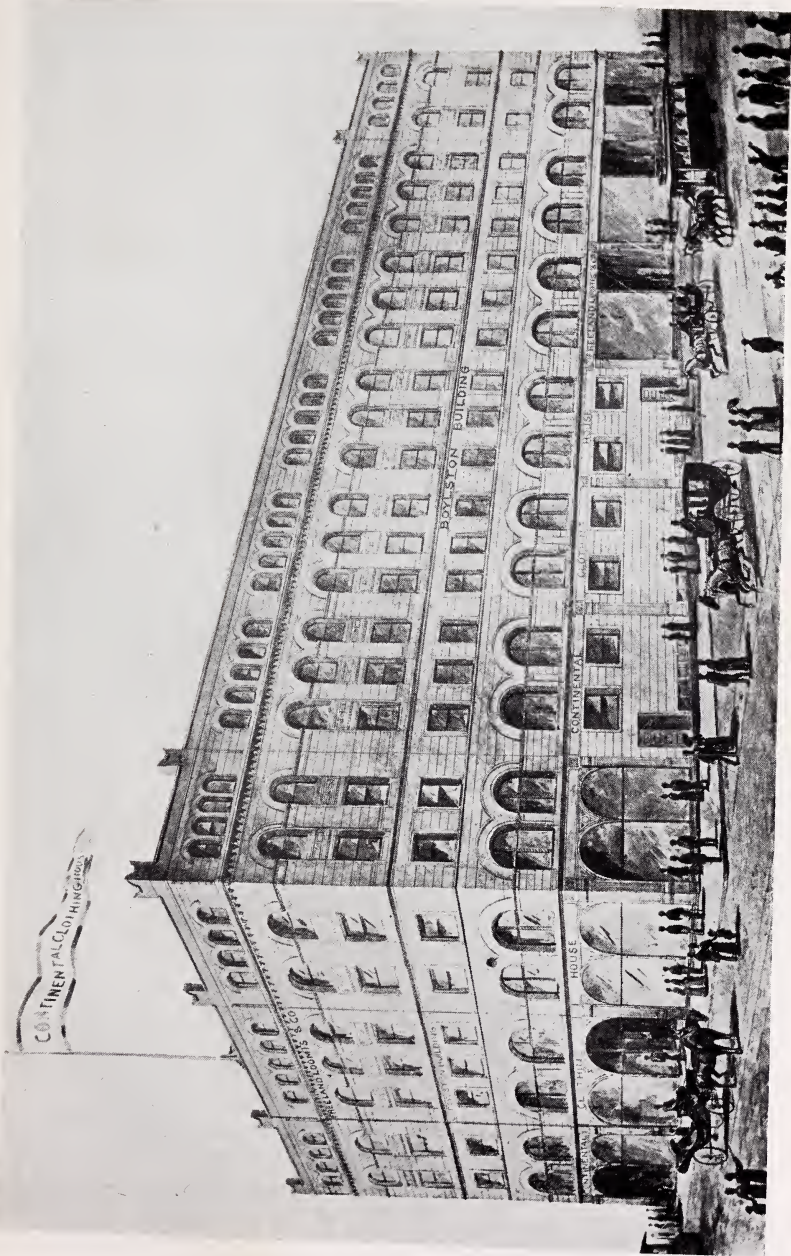
Yours sincerely and fraternally,

E. Letchworth,  
per W. L. Grand Secretary.

W. Brother

Leonard G. Roberts,  
Worshipful Master and Chairman of the  
175th Anniversary Celebration Committee  
St. John's Lodge, Boston, Mass., U. S. A.





BOYLSTON BUILDING  
WASHINGTON AND BOYLSTON STREETS  
1896-1899





GRAND LODGE OF GEORGIA

F. & A. M.

Sept. 23, '08.

Hon. Leonard G. Roberts, Chairman,  
Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir and Worshipful Brother:—

I beg to acknowledge the most courteous and kind invitation to myself and lady to be present at the celebration of the One Hundred and Seventy-fifth Anniversary of St. John's Lodge.

It is with profound sorrow that I am obliged to decline the invitation.

The press of private business, just at that time, coupled with the annual session of my own Grand Lodge, which convenes in October, and the necessary labor attendant upon the preparation therefor, make it impossible for me to accept a privilege and enjoy a pleasure which would fill me with delight.

The inspiration of such an occasion, hallowed by the sacred memories of so glorious a past, will be a rich contribution to every one present.

A century and three-quarters of life, from a "Bunch of Grapes Tavern" to the magnificent Masonic Temple is a sign of progress, but how infinitely more is the development of Masonry, springing from this fountain source, pouring in well-directed channels a perennial stream of the cherished principles of Friendship, Morality and Brotherly Love, throughout a nation.

Grand old lodge, whose children and children's children have taught the sons of men that God is our Father and that we be brethren in every city, hamlet and country side in all this broad land, welding the hearts of the brave men and the free in bonds of indissoluble love and attuned their tongues to the melody of peace and harmony.

Georgia sends happy greetings and t'dings of love and great joy upon this auspicious event. Let her indulge the fond hope that, old St. John's Lodge, looking from the regal heights of her past attainment, may out of the garnished treasure of her past, gather the golden seeds of love and with lavish hand sow for a richer harvest in the next quarter of a century than she has ever garnered before, even a harvest of peace on earth and good will among men.

May the blessings of Heaven rest upon you, may the peace of God fill you, and may Brotherly Love inspire you to every good word and work.

With most cordial good will and sincere fraternal regard,

T. H. Jeffries,

Grand Master of Masons in Ga.

The first speaker of the evening was Most Worshipful Grand Master John Albert Blake.

Then followed a series of speeches by the visiting Grand Masters, all of which were eloquent and witty, and replete with historical lore.

## TUESDAY, OCT. 6.

The crowning feature of the three days was a reception, general entertainment, dancing and collation in the Temple, day and night being taken up with some diversion to entertain the members and guests.

In the morning the visiting Grand Masters were taken on an automobile trip to Newton, Wellesley, Waltham and the site of the historic battlefield in Concord, a visit first being made to the State House.

The visiting Grand Masters were entertained at dinner in the afternoon at the Algonquin Club, by Grand Master Blake on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and other officers present were Deputy Grand Master William H. L. Odell, Senior Grand Warden William M. Belcher, Junior Grand Warden Oliver A. Roberts, Grand Secretary Thomas W. Davis, Grand Marshal Melvin M. Johnson, Past Deputy Grand Master Everett C. Benton, Past Deputy Grand Master Harvey N. Shepard and Worshipful Leonard G. Roberts of St. John's Lodge.

Mrs. J. Albert Blake was the hostess at a luncheon for the ladies accompanying the Grand Masters, and included in the party were Mrs. W. H. L. Odell, Mrs. Oliver A. Roberts, Mrs. Leonard G. Roberts, Mrs. Everett C. Benton, Miss Shepard and Miss Belcher.

More than 700 guests attended the reception held in Corinthian Hall from 7.30 to 8.30. The following were in the receiving line:

Leonard G. Roberts, Worshipful Master of St. John's, and Mrs. Roberts; J. Albert Blake, Grand Master of Massachusetts, and Mrs. Blake; George B. Orlady, Grand Master of Pennsylvania, and Miss Orlady; J. L. Michie, Grand Master of South Carolina, and Miss A. R. Odell; Frederick W. Sawyer, Grand Master of New Hampshire, and Mrs. Sawyer; S. Nelson Sawyer, Grand Master of New York, and Mrs. Sawyer; Charles R. Smith, Grand Master of Nova Scotia, and Mrs. Smith; Joseph W. Eggleston, Grand Master of Virginia, and Miss Eggleston; William L. Chatterton, Grand Master of Rhode Island, and Mrs. Chatterton; Thomas J. Shryock, Grand Master of Maryland, and Mrs. Shryock; Edward E. Fuller, Grand Master of Connecticut; Samuel M. Gattis, Grand Master of North Carolina and Mrs. E. C. Benton; Thomas J. Day, Grand Master of Delaware, and Mrs. Day; Edmund B. Mallet, Grand

Master of Maine, and Mrs. Mallet; Lee S. Tillotson, Grand Master of Vermont, and Mrs. William H. L. Odell.

Sodality Hall was crowded during the evening by those eager to see the historic souvenirs possessed by the lodge, some nearly as old as it is.

The Albion Quartette, Miss Bessie Bell Collier, violinist; Charles T. Grilley, impersonator; Van Veachton Rogers, harpist; Miss Grace Collier, accompanist, and Charles S. Johnson, organist, contributed an entertainment of ten numbers in Ionic Hall.

While this feature was in progress the banquet room was open for the collation, the guests being served at small tables.

As the dancing did not end until 1 a. m., the lodge took its guests into four days before they saw the close of the celebration.



## SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

November 2, 1908. A letter from Brother James D. Perkins was read, in which he offered to present the lodge an autograph letter of General Lafayette in English, written August 6, 1825, during his visit to this country, and "one of a set of plates made to commemorate the landing of General Lafayette at Castle Garden, New York, August 16, 1824; a dark blue plate, ten inches in diameter, with a view of the landing, Staffordshire ware."

Right Wor. Albert B. Root then presented the gifts to the lodge, which were gratefully accepted, and an appreciative resolution was ordered sent to Brother Perkins.

Feb. 1, 1909. The Worshipful Master announced his intention to visit Richmond, Va., on the invitation of Most Worshipful Joseph W. Eggleston of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, and it was voted that the fraternal greetings of this lodge be sent to Most Worshipful Brother Eggleston, and through him to the Grand Lodge of Virginia; and the Worshipful Master was instructed to present to Most Worshipful Brother Eggleston a gavel, the head of which is made of wood from one of the original timbers of the Old South Church, and the handle made of wood from one of the original timbers of the frigate Constitution, as a token of the friendship and fraternal regard of the officers and brethren of St. John's Lodge.

March 1, 1909. Fraternal visit of Harvard Masonic Club, members of which assisted in the work.

April 5, 1909. More than 100 members of the Great and General Court, headed by Lieutenant-Governor Louis A. Frothingham and other distinguished State officers, were guests of the lodge.

The Worshipful Master gave an interesting account of his trip to Virginia, transmitting to the lodge various gifts which were intrusted to him for that purpose by the brethren of that State. The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, that the members of St. John's Lodge of Boston, Mass., accept with pleasure from Richmond Randolph Lodge No. 19 of Richmond, Va., the picture of its lodge room, the trowel made from old wrought nails taken from the old hall and the other working tools made from timber taken from the old Masonic building, all of which were so kindly



PRESENT MASONIC TEMPLE



given to us through our Worshipful Master during his recent visit to Richmond.

Resolved, That we express our appreciation of the many courtesies extended to Worshipful Brother Roberts during that visit, and for the expression of fraternal feeling held by the Masons of Virginia for the Masons of Massachusetts, and we assure them that the feeling is fully reciprocated.

Resolved, That the members of St. John's Lodge of Boston, Mass., accept with pleasure the picture of Edmund Randolph, presented by Right Worshipful Ben P. Owen, Jr., in behalf of Manchester Lodge No. 14 of Virginia, through Worshipful Brother Roberts during his recent visit to Virginia.

Resolved, That the fraternal greetings of the lodge be extended to all of the members of Manchester Lodge, coupled with the hope that they will visit St. John's Lodge.

May 3, 1909. In the presence of Most Worshipful Dana J. Flanders and representatives of the Grand Lodge, Past Master Frederic W. Bliss stated that he had been commissioned by Most Worshipful Thomas J. Shryock of Maryland, acting for himself and the thirteen other Grand Masters who were the guests of the lodge at the time of the celebration of its 175th anniversary, to present to the lodge, for them and in their names, a silver loving cup as a token of their appreciation of the courtesies extended to them during their visit. At the request of Worshipful Brother Bliss the Worshipful Master was escorted to the altar upon which had been placed the loving cup. Worshipful Brother Bliss then formally presented the cup to St. John's Lodge and poured a libation of the pure juice of the grape, unfermented, and offered it as a pledge of the love and friendship of the donors toward St. John's Lodge. The Worshipful Master, in behalf of the lodge, accepted the cup with appropriate and feeling remarks, and partook of the libation.

The cup is inscribed:

1773—————1908

To commemorate the celebration  
of the

One hundred & seventy-fifth anniversary of

St. John's Lodge, A. F. & A. M.

Oct. 4th, 5th and 6th, 1908

Leonard G. Roberts, Worshipful Master

John Albert Blake, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts



This cup is presented by the visiting Grand Masters present.

George B. Orlady of Pennsylvania  
Charles Reynolds Smith of Nova Scotia  
Thomas J. Shryock of Maryland  
Frederick W. Sawyer of New Hampshire  
S. N. Sawyer of New York  
W. O. Wolfskeil of New Jersey  
Thomas J. Day of Delaware  
Edmund B. Mallet of Maine  
Lee S. Tillotson of Vermont  
William L. Chatterton of Rhode Island  
J. L. Michie of South Carolina  
S. M. Gattis of North Carolina  
Joseph W. Eggleston of Virginia  
Edward E. Fuller of Connecticut

April 4, 1910. Annual Legislative Night, attended by Lieutenant-Governor Louis A. Frothingham and about 106 members of the General Court and State officers.

March 12, 1911. Curtis Guild, for 57 years a member of St. John's Lodge, died at his home on Mt. Vernon street. Brother Guild was made a Mason in St. Paul's Lodge in 1852, and on March 6, 1854, became a member of St. John's Lodge.

Editor, author, member of the city government, interested in many organizations to advance the interests of his native city, he has left a name of which not only St. John's Lodge but the entire community will ever be proud.

April 3, 1911. More than 100 State officials, headed by Lieut.-Governor Louis A. Frothingham, and including Attorney-General James M. Swift, Hon. J. Stearns Cushing and Hon. W. S. Schuster, members of the Governor's Council, and President of the Senate Allen T. Treadway, were entertained at dinner and the subsequent communication.

May 1, 1911. An interesting and unique feature of this communication was the appearance of nearly 100 Masons connected with the various newspapers of Boston, who came to pay their respects to Worshipful Master John C. Hurl, as a member of their own newspaper craft. Previous to the work, which was participated in by two teams from among the visitors, a committee, consisting of Brothers Alexander Cook of Robert Lash Lodge, James H. Brehaut of Washington Lodge and Thomas F. Murray of Dalhousie Lodge, presented the Worshipful Master a beauti-

ful ebony gavel, gold mounted, suitably inscribed; also a sum of money as a donation to the Masonic Home.

June 19, 1911. Godfrey Morse, Master in 1888, died in Dresden, Germany. He was a prominent lawyer, member of the City Council, trustee of Public Library, and held many responsible positions in the governing boards of charitable bodies and institutions.

August 1, 1911. Rev. Samuel H. Winkley, Chaplain in 1879-80, 1883-84, died at the age of 92 years. For 50 years he was pastor of the Unitarian church now located on Bulfinch place. The estimation in which he was held by his flock and by many others was summarized in the title popularly awarded to him, of "Bishop of the Poor."

Oct. 9, 1911. Cornelius N. Bliss, Secretary of the Interior under President McKinley, died in New York. He joined St. John's Lodge in 1858.

March 16, 1912. Frederick J. Brand, Master in 1910, died at his home in Dorchester. He served in the old Boston Board of Aldermen in 1908-09, in the latter year as chairman. His sterling honesty was well known, and he was identified with many public spirited enterprises.

April 1, 1912. Nearly 150 visitors connected with the State government were present as guests at the annual Legislative Night, including the Attorney-General, members of the Governor's Council, President of the Senate and many other notables.

May 6, 1912. Of particular interest at this communication was the presence of a score or more members of the Harvard Chapter, Acacia Fraternity, all undergraduates of Harvard University. They represented lodges in 14 States, and one in Porto Rico. In addition there were visitors from about 75 lodges, 25 grand jurisdictions being entered on the register.

Jan. 6, 1913. At the annual ladies' night the lodge was honored by the presence of Most Worshipful Grand Master Everett C. Benton and Mrs. Benton, and the occasion was in the nature of a farewell to the Grand Master on the eve of his departure for a three months' trip among the craft in Chile. During the evening Worshipful Master Fogg, addressing the Grand Master, said that, as one of the lodges in Chile, within the grand jurisdiction of Massachusetts, was named St. John's, it was hoped he would convey a letter to it from the one whose name it bears. He then introduced Right Worshipful Harvey N. Shepard, chairman of the committee that prepared the letter, who stated that according to the old records of the lodge it was the custom long ago, even before the Revolution, to send letters to and receive them from other lodges near at hand and in distant climes. Following this laudable example it was the wish of

St. John's to forward a letter to the craft in Concepcion, Chile, as the lodge there is under the Massachusetts jurisdiction and has the same name, St. John's. As the Grand Master was about to add to his many other notable deeds in behalf of the order, by being the first to visit the lodges in far-off Chile, he was requested to convey the message of love and good will to St. John's. The Grand Master in his response accepted the commission, saying it would give him great pleasure to carry out the wishes of the committee.

The full text of the message is as follows:

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of St. John's Lodge,  
A. F. & A. M., of Concepcion, Chile, South America, Greeting:

We, the worshipful master, wardens and brethren of St. John's Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Boston, Mass., U. S. A., on the occasion of our annual ladies' night entertainment, with 500 of the brethren and their ladies, including Most Worshipful Everett C. Benton, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, assembled in the Masonic Temple, Boston, extend to the brethren of St. John's Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Concepcion, Chile, South America, our warmest fraternal greetings and most cordial and sincere good wishes.

St. John's Lodge of Boston, the first and oldest regularly constituted lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in the western world, instituted at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern in the town of Boston, on Massachusetts Bay, July 30, 1733, has from those far-off days down to the present time taken the keenest interest and has played a most conspicuous part in the dissemination of the principles of our noble order throughout the various grand jurisdictions of the United States of America and other lands, Masonry in many of the grand jurisdictions of the United States as well as in Nova Scotia and the West Indies having been first instituted by the St. John's Grand Lodge of Massachusetts; and so it is with peculiar pleasure that we remember the institution, by our Worshipful Grand Lodge, of Bethesda Lodge at Valparaiso Aug. 27, 1853; of Huelen Lodge at Santiago Feb. 8, 1876, and especially your own lodge at Concepcion April 9, 1884, bearing our own honored name of St. John.

We congratulate you on your dignified and honorable career and with you rejoice that the pure and lofty principles of our order, diffusing their light in every clime throughout the habitable world, are everywhere the same, and whether by the side of Massachusetts Bay or amid the cloud-crowned summits of the distant Andes are alike sufficient to make sweeter

and brighter and more blessed the life of every brother in whom they are exemplified. This is the glory of our order that in all lands it makes all men brothers, and so tonight with these common bonds of sympathy and recognizing our common dependence on the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, we clasp hands with you our brothers and bid you godspeed.

Our honored guest of the evening, Most Worshipful Everett C. Benton, has graciously consented to bear with him and present to you on the occasion of his contemplated visit to your lodge, the first ever made to the lodges of South America under this grand jurisdiction by any Grand Master, this expression of our good will and fraternal regard.

The doors of St. John's Lodge of Boston have ever been open to the Masons of all countries, and we extend to any brethren of your lodge who may chance to come to our city a most cordial invitation to visit St. John's Lodge, and beg to close this greeting with the hope that the future of your lodge may be as happy and prosperous as your past has been worthy and honorable.

Fraternally,

FREDERICK S. FOGG, Worshipful Master

WALTER F. W. TABER, Senior Warden.

CHESTER C. WHITNEY, Junior Warden.

FRANK M. COPELAND, Secretary.

RT. WOR. HARVEY N. SHEPARD.

WOR. DAVID T. MONTAGUE.

WOR. LEONARD G. ROBERTS.

Boston, Mass., United States of America, Jan. 6, 1913.

April 7, 1913. Nine Senators, 50 Representatives, State Treasurer Elmer A. Stevens, Attorney-General James M. Swift, Councillor E. G. Frothingham and many other State officials to the number of more than 150 attended the annual Legislative Night, in honor of two of their members, belonging to St. John's Lodge, Senator David T. Montague, Past Master, and Representative Channing H. Cox.

May 5, 1913. Martin A. Munroe, Master in 1879-1880, died at his home in Brookline, in his 68th year. His membership covered a period of nearly 44 years. In 1881 he was made an honorary member. For 43 years he was in the customs service, being chief special deputy collector at the time of his death. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having enlisted Dec. 17, 1861, at the age of 16, and being mustered out June 17, 1865.



June 6, 1913. Special communication to welcome the Most Worshipful Grand Master on his return from South America, whither he had gone to visit the craft in that country and also to convey a fraternal message from this lodge to St. John's Lodge of Concepcion, Chile. Worshipful Master Fogg, in greeting the Grand Master, said that it was five months since St. John's Lodge had requested him to convey its message of good will to St. John's of Concepcion. Then a large number of the fraternity had wished him godspeed on his pilgrimage and now welcomed him back to the hearts of all in St. John's of Boston. In reply Grand Master Benton said that he was happy indeed to be received by the oldest lodge on this continent after he had visited its namesake in South America. He had delivered the message of the parent to her children, and said that they were proud of their mother lodge, as it should be of them.

March 2, 1914. Fraternal visit of about 150 members of St. John's Lodge No. 1 of Portsmouth, N. H. The visitors were met at Lynn by a committee headed by Worshipful Albert B. Root. On arriving in Boston the party was joined by the officers of the local lodge and escorted to the Temple, where supper was served. In the evening the visitors were received into the lodge room by Worshipful Master Fogg, who extended a cordial welcome. Worshipful Master George J. Googins of the New Hampshire lodge made a happy response. Later in the evening the visiting officers assisted in the exemplification of the work.

April 6, 1914. Annual visit of members of the State government. They numbered about 125, and included members of the Governor's Council, Representatives, Senators, heads of various departments, etc.

August 5, 1914. On invitation of Mt. Horeb Lodge of West Harwich a large party headed by Worshipful Master Fogg journeyed to that town to enjoy the hospitality of the Cape lodge. They were met at South Dennis by a committee from Mt. Horeb Lodge and conveyed by automobiles to Witchmere Tavern. After dinner the visitors were escorted to the lodge room and welcomed by the more than 200 brethren gathered there. In the degree work that followed the officers of St. John's Lodge assisted, as did officers of local visiting lodges. The Boston party were entertained overnight by the brethren of Mt. Horeb Lodge. The following day, after a short fishing trip, the officers of Mt. Horeb Lodge became the guests of St. John's members at a lunch at Hotel Belmont, and late in the afternoon train was taken for home.

October 5, 1914. A silk national flag, procured by popular subscription among the members, was presented the lodge. A committee comprising Past Masters John C. Hurl and William S. Heath and Senior Warden Walter F. W. Taber, assisted by several past masters, escorted the colors

to the lodge room, led by a fifer and drummer, representing the Spirit of '76. Worshipful Leonard G. Roberts made the presentation speech in behalf of the subscribers; and the Rev. W. H. Powell, the Chaplain, responded in a speech of acceptance at the request of the Worshipful Master. An ode, adapted for the occasion from "The Star Spangled Banner," by Mrs. John C. Hurl, was then sung. Adjourning to Ionic Hall, the brethren listened to a lecture, "The Story of Our Flag," by Brother George W. Penniman, illustrated by colored stereopticon views.

November 2, 1914. Official visit of Right Worshipful David T. Montague, District Deputy Grand Master, and suite, with Worshipful Leonard G. Roberts as District Deputy Grand Marshal.

April 5, 1915. Fraternal visit of members of the State government, about 100 in number.

June 30, 1915. Special communication at Masonic Home, Charlton, where, by authority of a dispensation from the Most Worshipful Grand Master, the third degree was exemplified for the first time in the chapel of the Home. A large number of members accompanied the officers, making the trip by automobile and stopping en route for lunch in Worcester. Arriving in Charlton they were welcomed by the superintendent and introduced to the residents of the Home. It was interesting to watch the old people and note their pleasure at being permitted once more to meet in a lodge. Two of the brethren were past masters, and sat in the east, wearing their jewels as in the old days. After an inspection of the Home and grounds the party returned to Boston late in the afternoon.

September 29, 1915. Visitation of brethren of St. John's Lodge No. 1 of Providence, R. I. The party of about 160, accompanied by the Grand Master of Rhode Island and suite, were met at the Back Bay station by their hosts and escorted to the Temple. After supper the lodge was opened, and Worshipful Master Clarence H. Wall and members of the Providence lodge were formally presented to Worshipful Master Taber by Worshipful Frederick S. Fogg. Then Most Worshipful Reuben S. Bemis, Grand Master of Masons in Rhode Island, and suite were presented by Right Worshipful Albert B. Root, after which Most Worshipful Melvin M. Johnson, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, and suite were introduced by Right Worshipful David T. Montague. The officers of St. John's surrendered their chairs to the visiting officers, who raised a candidate according to the Rhode Island ritual. The Boston officers then performed a like service on another candidate, using the Massachusetts ritual. Remarks were made by Most Worshipful Grand Master Johnson, Most Worshipful Grand Master Bemis and Worshipful Master Wall.

November 1, 1915. Official visit of Right Worshipful David T. Montague and suite, with Worshipful Leonard G. Roberts as District Deputy Grand Marshal.

April 3, 1916. Governor Samuel W. McCall, President of the Senate Henry G. Wells, Speaker Channing H. Cox and numerous other members of the State government attended the annual Legislative Night.

May 11, 1916. Special communication, for the purpose of acting as escort to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge on the occasion of the dedication of a monument to the memory of Most Worshipful Jeremy Gridley, Master of St. John's Lodge in 1754 and Grand Master 1755-67. A procession was formed in Boylston street, and, headed by Boston Commandery, K. T., followed by St. John's Lodge and the Grand Lodge, moved along Tremont street to the Old Granary Burying Ground. At the monument as special guests were President Henry G. Wells of the State Senate; Channing H. Cox, Speaker of the House; Major Kingsley A. Burnham, representing the Commonwealth; Attorney-General Henry C. Attwill, William J. Craig of the Brookline Board of Selectmen, President Samuel J. Elder of the Boston Bar Association and Captain Peter H. Crowell, president of the Boston Marine Society. The ceremonies began with the singing of a hymn in praise of Grand Master Gridley by the Weber Quartette. Most Worshipful Grand Master Johnson followed with a dedicatory address, and Grand Chaplain R. Perry Bush read from the Scriptures and offered prayer. The monument, which had been draped with an American flag, was unveiled by Worshipful Master Walter F. W. Taber of St. John's Lodge and Joseph T. Call. Libations of corn, wine and oil were made by the Deputy Grand Master, Senior and Junior Grand Wardens. After prayer by Grand Chaplain Edward A. Horton, Grand Marshal William M. Farrington declared the monument consecrated. The monument bears the following inscription:

JEREMY GRIDLEY

1701-2-1767

FATHER OF THE BOSTON BAR

PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER

OF

MASONS IN NORTH AMERICA

1755-1767

ATTORNEY GENERAL

LEARNED JURIST

PUBLIC SPIRITED CITIZEN





JEREMY GRIDLEY MONUMENT





**THIS MONUMENT  
WAS ERECTED TO HIS MEMORY  
BY THE  
MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE  
OF  
ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS  
IN  
MASSACHUSETTS  
AND  
DEDICATED BY MOST WORSHIPFUL  
MELVIN MAYNARD JOHNSON  
GRAND MASTER  
MAY 11, 1916.**

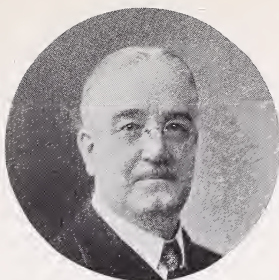
June 14, 1916. Fraternal visit to St. John's Lodge No. 1 of Portsmouth, N. H., to assist in the celebration of the 180th anniversary of that lodge. Accompanied by Most Worshipful Grand Master Melvin M. Johnson and Right Worshipful Grand Marshal William M. Farrington, about 150 brethren left the North Station in a special train, and were met at Beverly by a committee of eight past masters of St. John's No. 1. Arriving at Portsmouth the visitors were escorted to Masonic Hall, where they were received and welcomed by Worshipful Master Parker.

Following the meeting a banquet was served in Freeman's Hall. Among the speakers were Grand Master George E. Bales of New Hampshire, Grand Master Johnson and Worshipful Master Walter F. W. Taber.





RT. WOR. HARVEY N. SHEPARD



WOR. JOHN C. HURL



CHESTER C. WHITNEY  
Worshipful Master



GUY C. WILLIS  
Senior Warden



DWIGHT W. SLEEPER  
Junior Warden



WOR. WILLIAM S. HEATH



WOR. JAMES T. WETHERALD



WOR. LEONARD G. ROBERTS

MEMBERS OF HISTORY COMMITTEE





**MEMBERS OF SAINT JOHN'S LODGE**



## MEMBERS OF SAINT JOHN'S LODGE

NAME	Date Membership
Abbott, Arthur P.....	Aug. 11, 1904
Abrams, Maurice D.....	Nov. 3, 1902
*Adams, Aquila.....	April 2, 1866
Adams, Warren W.....	June 30, 1903
Adams, Wilbur F.....	Mar. 3, 1902
Alberty, George W.....	June 6, 1902
Alburtis, John.....	Feb. 3, 1902
†Alden, George E.....	Feb. 6, 1905
Aldrich, George E.....	April 4, 1910
Allen, Frederick T.....	Nov. 6, 1911
*Allen, Willis B.....	May 12, 1877
Allen, Clark B.....	May 31, 1915
Alvord, Henry B.....	Jan. 3, 1916
Anderson, George P.....	May 4, 1908
Anderson, Herbert J.....	Mar. 29, 1905
Andrew, James H.....	Oct. 7, 1912
Andrew, William H.....	Oct. 7, 1912
Andrews, Harold V., M. D.....	Feb. 4, 1907
Andrews, Julius.....	June 4, 1888
Arnold, Frank.....	June 2, 1905
Ascher, Max.....	June 4, 1894
Atwood, Benjamin F.....	June 30, 1905
*Atwood, Harrison H.....	Nov. 2, 1885
Atwood, Howard N.....	April 7, 1913
Austin, Cyrus P.....	Mar. 24, 1911
Ayer, Silas H., M.D.....	Nov. 6, 1905
Bacon, Edwin F.....	May 7, 1906
Bacon, Frank E.....	June 29, 1896
*†Badger, Daniel B.....	Oct. 4, 1886
†Baker, George N.....	April 30, 1906
Baker, Peter S.....	June 3, 1904
Baker, Watson F., Jr.....	Mar. 3, 1912
Baldwin, Walter H.....	May 2, 1904
Ball, Francis O.....	Oct. 4, 1909
Barber, Austin N.....	June 27, 1901
Barnes, Frederick D.....	April 3, 1911

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† Life member.



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Barry, Ernest H.....	Nov. 4, 1912
Barstow, Andrew T.....	June 7, 1915
†Bartlett, Ashton H.....	June 30, 1910
Bartlett, Arthur J.....	Feb. 2, 1914
Bartlett, Frank P.....	Jan. 3, 1916
Bartlett, George M.....	May 1, 1911
Bartlett, Walter O., M. D.....	April 5, 1909
Batchelder, Fred M.....	Sept. 3, 1909
*Bates, George C.....	Mar. 2, 1868
Battles, Augustus.....	April 1, 1907
†Bauer, Albert P.....	May 29, 1911
†Bauer, Frederick L.....	May 29, 1911
Beatey, Charles J.....	June 7, 1909
Bell, George C.....	Oct. 2, 1911
Bellows, Frederick H.....	June 30, 1904
Bemis, Daniel H., Jr.....	Nov. 30, 1903
Benton, Jay R.....	Sept. 6, 1907
Bergquist, Henry G.....	Nov. 3, 1913
†Bergquist, John F.....	June 6, 1910
Berner, Albert V.....	Nov. 7, 1904
Berry, Albert I.....	May 6, 1912
Berry, Albert J.....	Feb. 6, 1911
Berry, Charles F., M. D.....	April 4, 1904
Berry, William H., Jr.....	Jan. 4, 1909
Blades, Arthur M.....	Oct. 7, 1908
Blair, Donald M.....	June 4, 1909
Blake, Edward E.....	Jan. 1, 1912
†Blakeley, Clarence.....	Mar. 6, 1905
Blanchard, Carl R.....	Nov. 7, 1904
Blanchard, Samuel E.....	Dec. 7, 1896
Bleyle, Gustave A.....	April 30, 1906
*Bliss, Frederic W.....	Nov. 2, 1885
Bliss, George D., M. D.....	Dec. 7, 1908
Bode, Herman A.....	May 29, 1905
Boggs, Francis G.....	May 3, 1909
Boothby, Alden H.....	Nov. 7, 1910
Boutwell, Rosewell M., Jr.....	Oct. 2, 1916
*Bowker, S. Dexter.....	May 31, 1872
Boyce, James A.....	Mar. 1, 1909
Boyd, Herbert D., M. D.....	Mar. 6, 1899
Bradley, James T.....	Nov. 22, 1912
Bray, Charles A.....	Jan. 6, 1896
Breed, Francis W., Jr.....	Jan. 10, 1910
†Brewitt, Thomas.....	April 3, 1911
Briggs, Albert W.....	Sept. 3, 1906

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† Life member.

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	Membership	
Brinsley, Alfred H.....	Feb.	5, 1912
Broadley, Frederick L.....	Oct.	30, 1905
†Brook, Thomas A.....	June	29, 1896
†Brooks, George A.....	June	16, 1908
Brooks, Thomas C.....	June	7, 1915
Brown, Albert F.....	June	29, 1908
Brown, Arthur B.....	June	30, 1911
*Brown, Harry W.....	May	3, 1869
Brown James P.....	Mar.	3, 1912
Brown, Lawrence C.....	June	29, 1916
Buck, Charles H. W. E.....	June	5, 1899
Burnham, Elmond A., M. D.....	Nov.	29, 1905
Burrill, Nathan C.....	June	29, 1906
Bush, Charles W., M. D.....	Mar.	7, 1904
Butler, Harry R.....	Feb.	2, 1914
Buxton, Roger K.....	Mar.	4, 1912
Byrne, Francis H.....	May	6, 1901
*Caldwell, George W.....	Sept.	7, 1868
Caldwell, Pearl J.....	Jan.	4, 1909
Cameron, Daniel H.....	June	3, 1904
*Campbell, Charles M.....	Dec.	1, 1884
Calvert, Claude M.....	June	29, 1914
Cardoze, Henry E.....	June	30, 1910
Carleton, Guy T.....	June	30, 1903
Carlson, Herman W.....	Oct.	2, 1916
Carlson, Ivan E.....	June	7, 1915
†Carrie, William A.....	Jan.	3, 1887
Carruth, Frederick J.....	Oct.	3, 1904
†Carter, Charles H.....	Mar.	7, 1898
Carter, Douglas S.....	Nov.	22, 1912
Carter, George H.....	Feb.	1, 1909
Center, John L.....	May	25, 1903
†Chadwick, Charles A.....	June	4, 1900
*Chadwick, William H.....	Oct.	4, 1869
Chadwick, Winslow H.....	Mar.	1, 1909
Chamberlain, Henry V.....	June	30, 1913
Chandler, Charles H.....	Feb.	1, 1915
Chandler, Grant L.....	May	1, 1911
Chase, Louis C.....	June	30, 1910
†Child, Samuel M.....	Dec.	7, 1896
Christie, William H.....	Mar.	4, 1907
Christopher, Alvah S.....	Feb.	2, 1903
Claghorn, David M.....	June	2, 1913
Clamp, Richard B.....	April	6, 1914
Clark, David F. S.....	June	4, 1906

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	Membership	
Clark, Ernest H.....	April	1, 1907
Clark, Harold H.....	April	1, 1901
Clark, Henry J., Jr.....	Dec.	1, 1902
Clark, Isaac E.....	Nov.	5, 1906
Clark, William.....	Mar.	29, 1905
Clarke, James G.....	May	5, 1913
Clarke, Maximilian S.....	June	21, 1911
Close, William C.....	June	2, 1902
Cobb, Ralph E.....	June	30, 1903
Cole, Joseph H.....	June	5, 1916
Coffin, John H.....	June	11, 1914
Coggan, Linus C.....	June	30, 1909
Colby, Fred B., M. D.....	April	26, 1903
Coleman, Charles H.....	May	6, 1907
Collins, Charles W.....	April	6, 1914
Colson, Rev. George W.....	June	29, 1908
Colwell, Albert R.....	May	4, 1914
*†Comee, Frederick T.....	April	6, 1868
*Comstock, Allen L.....	Mar.	3, 1884
*Conant, Albert A.....	May	1, 1865
Condon, Henry M.....	Nov.	15, 1910
Congdon, Harold R.....	June	5, 1916
Conklin, Fred B.....	June	14, 1907
Cook, Frank E.....	May	3, 1909
Cook, Harrison H.....	April	5, 1915
Cooper, Harry O.....	Feb.	2, 1891
Copeland, Frank M.....	Mar.	4, 1889
Corthell, William I.....	Mar.	2, 1914
Cottrell, Leon W.....	Oct.	6, 1913
Cousens, Walter S.....	May	29, 1912
Cowper, James E.....	Oct.	3, 1904
Cox, Arthur W.....	Mar.	2, 1908
Cox, Channing H.....	June	3, 1907
Crandall, Chauncey N.....	June	3, 1907
Crandall, LeRoy H.....	June	11, 1914
Crawford, Archibald V.....	Oct.	7, 1907
Crawford, William J.....	June	6, 1902
Creamer, William P.....	Nov.	5, 1894
Creed, Joseph C.....	Feb.	6, 1905
Crosby, George L.....	Feb.	6, 1905
Croscup, Edward E.....	June	1, 1908
Crotsley, Asahel W.....	Feb.	4, 1907
Crowell, Fred A.....	Oct.	5, 1910
†Crowell, Thomas L. S.....	April	3, 1911

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NAME	Date Membership
Cunningham, Alexander M.....	June 3, 1912
*Currier, William W.....	Oct. 19, 1855
Currie, Thomas G.....	June 30, 1905
Curtis, Albert H.....	June 4, 1894
†Curtis, Paul O.....	June 11, 1914
†Cushman, Lewis N.....	Nov. 6, 1899
Danielson, Ferdinand.....	June 3, 1901
Dariele, Emil J.....	Jan. 7, 1907
Dasnoit, John J.....	Dec. 7, 1896
†Daugherty, Allen H.....	Mar. 3, 1913
Davenport, Edward M.....	May 5, 1902
Davidson, John S.....	June 4, 1906
Davidson, William J.....	Nov. 3, 1890
Davis, Albert G.....	Oct. 7, 1912
Day, Arthur G.....	Nov. 6, 1905
Day, Thomas F. G.....	June 29, 1903
Dealand, Forris W.....	May 3, 1915
Dean, Leland E.....	Nov. 6, 1911
Deming, Eugene M.....	June 3, 1913
De Propper, Albert H.....	Dec. 6, 1915
*Devereaux, Charles J.....	June 3, 1867
Dewick, Frank A.....	Dec. 7, 1903
Dewing, Louis A., M. D.....	Sept. 6, 1907
Dexter, George W.....	Oct. 1, 1906
Dickerman, Albert C.....	Nov. 4, 1912
*Dickieson, Henry R.....	Jan. 6, 1873
Doane, Lewis.....	Mar. 7, 1910
*†Dodd, George D.....	Oct. 7, 1867
Dodds, Oscar H.....	Mar. 6, 1905
Dorothy, Wayland F.....	June 3, 1912
Douglas, Charles J., M. D.....	April 1, 1907
Douglass, William E.....	Sept. 7, 1903
Dowd, Chester W.....	June 29, 1914
Dreyfus, Carl.....	Mar. 6, 1905
Dreyfus, Sydney.....	April 6, 1899
†Drisko, Fred M.....	June 16, 1908
Drisko, Stanwood.....	Oct. 7, 1912
Dudley, Sydney A.....	April 6, 1908
Duncan, Andrew W.....	Mar. 4, 1907
Eccles, Walter L.....	Oct. 7, 1912
Eldredge, Clarence F.....	June 4, 1900
Eldridge, Ralph K.....	Jan. 3, 1916

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NAME	Date Membership
Elliot, Oliver.....	Nov. 30, 1903
Ellis, Charles T.....	Dec. 23, 1904
Ellis, David A.....	Mar. 6, 1905
Ellis, Frank E.....	April 3, 1916
Elwell, Harry L. S.....	June 28, 1904
Engley, Drury W.....	April 7, 1913
Engley, Hollis L.....	April 7, 1913
Enman, John A.....	April 6, 1914
Emmel, William.....	June 3, 1912
Emery, Hermann W.....	April 6, 1908
*Emery, Thomas J.....	Mar. 5, 1877
*†Emmons, Theodore H.....	Sept. 6, 1858
English, Chauncey F.....	Nov. 5, 1900
Erisman, Fred R.....	Nov. 7, 1910
Evans, Wilbur F.....	Oct. 1, 1906
Faelten, Reinhold.....	Sept. 6, 1907
Fairbanks, Albert L.....	May 3, 1909
Fairbanks, Frank L.....	June 30, 1905
Fairchild, John C.....	April 4, 1904
Farrington, Perry J.....	May 4, 1914
Farwell, George H.....	June 5, 1911
Faust, Oliver C.....	Oct. 2, 1916
Feibelman, Emile.....	April 6, 1896
*Fellows, John I.....	Sept. 4, 1865
Fenn, Alfred H.....	Mar. 2, 1903
Fickett, Ralph S.....	Feb. 3, 1913
Fielding, Edward M.....	June 5, 1899
Fisher, Frank P.....	May 6, 1912
Fisher, Proctor.....	Feb. 7, 1910
Fischer, Albert A.....	Mar. 2, 1914
Fish, John A.....	June 2, 1890
Fitz, George L.....	June 29, 1908
†Fletcher, Edwin J.....	June 30, 1903
Fogg, Frederick S., D.D.S.....	Oct. 2, 1905
Foye, Frank W.....	Sept. 1, 1902
*French, Ferdinand F.....	Feb. 1, 1869
French, Winslow B., M.D.....	April 1, 1895
French, George A.....	Mar. 5, 1900
Fuller, Arthur S.....	June 23, 1905
Fulton, William D.....	Mar. 2, 1908
Gibbs, Arthur C.....	April 5, 1909
Gilbert, Ellery T.....	Nov. 6, 1899

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Gillon, Alexander L.....	June 1, 1903
Gilmore, Alexander.....	Oct. 2, 1911
Gilson, Valentine E.....	June 6, 1902
Glover, Capt. Thomas L.....	Nov. 20, 1905
Goodman, Henry L.....	Nov. 5, 1900
Googins, Hersey E.....	Mar. 2, 1908
Gordon, Harry M.....	June 28, 1904
Grace, Harry T.....	Oct. 2, 1911
Graham, James H.....	Nov. 29, 1905
Grant, Abram F.....	Mar. 6, 1899
Gray, George M.....	Jan. 10, 1910
Greathead, William J.....	June 21, 1901
Green, Malcolm.....	Feb. 6, 1905
Greene, Louis E.....	June 21, 1905
Griffith, Charles G.....	June 29, 1908
*Griffith, George A.....	Oct. 7, 1878
Groves, Lucian S.....	May 3, 1915
Guild, Arthur E.....	Mar. 6, 1899
Gustin, Henry O.....	Nov. 3, 1913
†Guyon, Alfred J.....	Jan. 4, 1909
Gwinnell, Alfred, W., M.D.....	Mar. 9, 1911
Gwinnell, Walter W.....	May 5, 1913
Haggett, Fred B.....	Jan. 3, 1916
Hallett, Frank H.....	Nov. 2, 1914
Haigh, James R.....	April 2, 1906
Haley, Arthur E.....	June 30, 1909
Halladay, Henry G.....	Mar. 7, 1910
Hall, Arthur J.....	June 3, 1901
Hall, Gustavus F.....	Oct. 2, 1911
Hamilton, Albert J. A., M. D.....	June 30, 1911
Hamilton, William.....	April 1, 1912
Ham, William A., M. D.....	Mar. 1, 1909
Hands, Coleman.....	Oct. 2, 1911
Handy, Arthur H.....	April 4, 1910
Hanington, Edward A.....	Mar. 6, 1905
Hanmer, John R.....	April 26, 1903
Harding, George F.....	June 30, 1902
Hardwick, Ernest V.....	Feb. 5, 1912
Hardy, Edward E.....	Feb. 2, 1903
Harlow, Frank E.....	Feb. 5, 1906
Harris, Harry L.....	June 6, 1910
Harris, Isaac.....	Mar. 5, 1900
Harris, Wm. O. A.....	June 2, 1913
Harrison, Nathan C.....	June 30, 1904

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Hartmann, Edward H.....	Nov. 3, 1902
Harvey, Albert W.....	Mar. 7, 1898
*Harvey, Charles A.....	June 5, 1871
†Harvey, George W.....	Jan. 3, 1898
Haug, Adam.....	Mar. 9, 1911
Hayden, Lowell T.....	Nov. 2, 1908
Heath, Charles A.....	Nov. 2, 1908
Heath, Frederick.....	June 26, 1896
†Heath, William S.....	Nov. 2, 1891
Hebb, Edwin E.....	Nov. 6, 1916
Hebb, Elijah.....	June 29, 1903
Hebb, George S.....	May 29, 1912
Hebb, John F.....	Mar. 2, 1914
Hebb, William C.....	Sept. 1, 1902
Heckman, William W.....	April 3, 1916
Heintz, Alfred F. H.....	Sept. 29, 1915
Herring, Frank A.....	May 5, 1902
Hess, John H.....	April 6, 1908
Hewson, Garfield J.....	June 5, 1916
Hickey, George W.....	Mar. 5, 1906
Hicks, Charles H.....	May 1, 1911
Hicks, J. Everett.....	June 6, 1904
Higgins, C. Lothrop.....	Dec. 31, 1907
Hills, George C.....	Nov. 5, 1894
Hoag, William.....	Feb. 2, 1903
Hodson, Fred M.....	April 1, 1895
Hoernle, William L.....	June 29, 1914
Hogue, Oliver D.....	Feb. 6, 1905
Hollings, James L.....	June 6, 1910
*Holmes, George N.....	Nov. 4, 1867
Holske, Charles E.....	Nov. 3, 1902
Homer, George E.....	Feb. 2, 1903
Homer, George W.....	Oct. 7, 1912
Hone, Capt. Theodore.....	Oct. 1, 1906
Horn, George H.....	Oct. 2, 1905
Horton, William H.....	May 4, 1903
†Hosford, Samuel W. B.....	June 5, 1911
Howard, Louis T.....	April 4, 1904
Howe, Otis W.....	May 3, 1909
Howell, Sidney K.....	Oct. 6, 1913
Howes, Claude L.....	Feb. 7, 1910
†Howland, George L., M. D.....	Jan. 10, 1910
Howlett, Albert D.....	Oct. 2, 1905
Houston, Harry.....	June 16, 1908

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NAME	Date Membership
Hubbard, Frank W.....	Dec. 7, 1896
Hume, Charles.....	June 30, 1905
Hungerford, Louis C.....	Feb. 6, 1911
*Hurd, Lyman C.....	May 6, 1872
†Hurd, Lyman C., Jr.....	Nov. 4, 1907
Hurll, John C.....	Feb. 4, 1901
Ingalls, John H. O.....	June 30, 1910
Irish, William H.....	June 7, 1897
†Irving, Albert S.....	June 2, 1902
Irving, George E.....	June 29, 1914
Impey, Harry W.....	Oct. 2, 1916
Jackson, Frederick A.....	Oct. 11, 1915
†Jackson, Herbert W.....	June 4, 1900
Jackson, Joseph R., Jr.....	June 6, 1910
Jacobs, Carlton D.....	May 4, 1908
*Jacobs, Edward F.....	April 7, 1879
*Jacobs, J. Arthur.....	April 1, 1872
Jerrard, Sanford C.....	May 7, 1906
Jaquith Edwin.....	June 30, 1913
Jenks, Harold P.....	Nov. 22, 1912
Jennings, Robert G.....	Feb. 1, 1915
Johansson, Carl W. E. A.....	Feb. 3, 1913
Johannessen, Peter A. G.....	April 3, 1916
Johnson, Albert.....	June 29, 1903
Johnson, Charles S.....	May 2, 1887
Johnson, Edward E.....	June 1, 1908
Johnson, Rev. Tillman B.....	May 4, 1903
Johnston, William E.....	Sept. 7, 1903
Jonas, Isidore L.....	May 1, 1905
Jones, George S.....	June 16, 1908
Jones, Lewis L.....	Dec. 6, 1897
Jordan, Augustus C.....	Dec. 2, 1895
Jordan, Edward A.....	Mar. 1, 1897
Kaizer, George A.....	Nov. 4, 1907
Keepers, Ernest.....	Nov. 29, 1905
Kelley, Caleb R.....	June 7, 1909
Kepler, Charles O., M. D.....	Feb. 3, 1902
Kershaw, George E.....	May 2, 1904
Kimball, Franklin R.....	Nov. 7, 1904
Kimball, Reuben H.....	June 30, 1909
Kimball, William S.....	June 30, 1904

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Kinander, Charles W.....	April 3, 1916
Kingsley, Charles A.....	Jan. 6, 1896
†Kinquist, Albin.....	May 29, 1912
Klous, Benjamin.....	April 4, 1904
Klous, Maurice H.....	Nov. 30, 1903
*Knapp, George B.....	Nov. 4, 1861
Knight, John H.....	April 5, 1915
Knowles, John W.....	Nov. 22, 1912
Koenig, William C.....	June 2, 1913
Krauter, Charles E.....	Jan. 4, 1904
Larsen, Niels H.....	June 5, 1916
Larsson, Johan G.....	June 30, 1913
†Lawrence, Stewart G.....	April 4, 1910
Lawrence, Waldron G.....	May 29, 1911
Lawson, Samuel J.....	Sept. 1, 1902
Leach, Walter B.....	June 22, 1897
Leavitt, William S.....	June 6, 1892
LeFray, Francis C.....	Nov. 5, 1906
*Leighton, George E.....	Dec. 4, 1871
Lewis, Lorin E.....	June 21, 1911
Lindgren, Carl A.....	Mar. 6, 1905
Lindquist, Carl A., M. D.....	June 6, 1910
Lindsay, Edwin P.....	Oct. 3, 1903
Linscott, George A.....	July 3, 1903
Locke, George M.....	June 21, 1901
Losea, Albert V. DeW.....	June 3, 1904
Lovejoy, Walter W.....	Jan. 10, 1910
Low, William A.....	June 30, 1904
Lowe, George H.....	June 26, 1896
Luchsinger, John J., Jr.....	May 29, 1912
Lufkin, Joseph G.....	Nov. 8, 1913
Luttropp, Sverker, D. D. S.....	May 6, 1907
Lynch, Frederick.....	June 30, 1902
*Lyons, Walter S.....	April 6, 1885
MacArthur, Donald M.....	Oct. 4, 1915
MacAusland, William R., M. D.....	Oct. 30, 1905
MacDermid, Charles A.....	Mar. 7, 1910
Macdonald, Donald H. R.....	Nov. 6, 1899
MacDonald, John.....	June 30, 1902
MacFarlane, Frank, D. D. S.....	June 30, 1911
MacIntosh, Frederick.....	Nov. 6, 1916
Mackenzie, Robert.....	April 7, 1902
Mackernan, James J.....	Nov. 4, 1901
Mackernan, William F.....	Nov. 29, 1905

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† Life member.

NAME	Date Membership
Macnamara, George R.....	Feb. 4, 1907
Macomber, Jehu M.....	June 2, 1903
Magee, James H.....	Mar. 2, 1914
Malcolm, John D.....	Mar. 6, 1899
Marie, Leon L.....	June 21, 1911
Marr, Llewellyn A.....	May 6, 1907
Marr, Mryon L., M. D.....	May 7, 1906
Marshall, Capt. Frank.....	Oct. 1, 1906
Marshall, Henry N.....	July 25, 1905
Martin, Angus R.....	June 29, 1906
Martin, Farnham B.....	Nov. 7, 1910
Martin, George A.....	Mar. 5, 1900
Mason, Thomas.....	April 1, 1901
Martz, Harvey R.....	Nov. 6, 1916
Matchner, Horace A.....	June 30, 1906
Mateer, Wesley H., D. D. S.....	Feb. 6, 1911
Matheson, W. Scott.....	April 2, 1906
Mathews, Herbert D.....	June 14, 1907
Maxwell, William H.....	June 27, 1901
May, John F.....	Jan. 3, 1916
Mayall, James F.....	Nov. 15, 1910
McCance, Robert H. T.....	May 29, 1911
McCormack, Frank W.....	Mar. 6, 1893
McCullagh, Andrew B.....	June 11, 1914
McGeown, Thomas C.....	June 1, 1903
McIntire, Harry B.....	Mar. 7, 1904
McNeill, Selden S.....	May 5, 1913
McMackin, Thomas I.....	June 2, 1903
Merriam, Elmer A.....	Mar. 5, 1906
Messenger, James W.....	May 25, 1909
*Meserve, Isaac H.....	Sept. 2, 1867
Millard, William A.....	Mar. 4, 1907
Millen, Alexander.....	Mar. 2, 1908
Millen, James.....	May 1, 1905
Minard, Clarence C.....	June 5, 1911
Moffatt, D. Wilson.....	June 1, 1908
Mohr, Henry F.....	Oct. 7, 1912
†Montague, David T.....	Mar. 2, 1896
Montgomery, John N.....	June 30, 1911
Moore, George C., M. D.....	April 30, 1906
Morawski, Ivan.....	Jan. 7, 1895
Morrill, George A., Jr., M. D.....	May 2, 1904
Morrison, Charles.....	Nov. 3, 1890
Morse, Arthur E.....	April 4, 1904

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† Life member.

## MEMBERS OF SAINT JOHN'S LODGE

NAME	Date Membership
Morton, Whitman R.....	May 5, 1902
Mount, Robert B.....	Nov. 6, 1916
Moxon, Edwin B.....	Oct. 3, 1904
Moyer, Reed.....	April 5, 1915
Myers, John D. H.....	Feb. 2, 1914
Neal, Frank R.....	April 7, 1902
Neal, Frank W.....	Oct. 7, 1903
Neal, Harold R.....	April 7, 1913
Nettles, Dennis H.....	June 3, 1904
Nevens, Edgar J.....	June 28, 1904
Newbury, John P., Jr.....	Oct. 4, 1915
Newbury, Warren C.....	Oct. 4, 1915
Nicholls, William W.....	June 6, 1902
Nicholson, Joseph F.....	May 1, 1905
Nickerson, Harold J.....	April 3, 1916
Norris, Ziba A.....	June 7, 1909
North, John H., Jr.....	Dec. 5, 1898
Norwood, Francis A.....	Mar. 3, 1913
Norton, Isaac.....	Nov. 3, 1913
Nowell, James.....	Nov. 1, 1915
Noyes, Gilbert H.....	Feb. 6, 1911
Noyes, William E.....	April 5, 1909
Nutter, Harry W.....	Mar. 2, 1908
*Obst, Charles M.....	Dec. 6, 1886
*Oschwald, August.....	Oct. 6, 1879
Overholser, Edwin M.....	Nov. 7, 1904
Owen, Edwin J.....	June 14, 1907
Owen, Francis H.....	Oct. 6, 1890
Owens, William G.....	Mar. 6, 1905
Page, Albert E.....	Oct. 6, 1913
Page, Edwin J. L.....	Feb. 4, 1901
Paine, Paul M.....	Feb. 6, 1905
Palmer, Darius N.....	June 30, 1904
Palmer, Edward H.....	Feb. 5, 1906
Papanti, Charles A.....	Oct. 6, 1913
Parsons, Frank.....	June 2, 1902
Parsons, Henry S., D. D. S.....	Mar. 1, 1897
Passano, Robert G.....	Feb. 5, 1906
Patterson, David G.....	May 6, 1907
Patterson, James.....	May 4, 1914
Peers, Kester J.....	Nov. 29, 1905
Pelton, William H.....	May 4, 1903
†Pendleton, John C.....	April 1, 1895

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NAME	Date Membership
†Pendleton, Walter E.....	April 1, 1895
Penniman, George W.....	Mar. 7, 1910
Penney, Arthur W.....	May 29, 1905
Perkins, Clarence E.....	May 2, 1904
Perkins, James M.....	Dec. 6, 1897
Perkins, William E.....	Dec. 6, 1897
Phillips, Fred G.....	Mar. 3, 1902
Phillips, Jesse A.....	May 4, 1908
Phinney, Frank B.....	June 21, 1911
Pickett, Charles G.....	Jan. 4, 1904
†Pierce, Lewis J., D. M. D.....	Nov. 30, 1903
Pillsbury, William H. C.....	Dec. 1 1902
Piper, Frank, M. D.....	Feb. 4, 1907
*Pitman, Henry W.....	Nov. 4, 1867
†Pommer, Frederick G.....	Nov. 22, 1912
Pond, Bernard W., M. D.....	Mar. 4, 1907
Porter, Harris J.....	Mar. 5, 1894
Porter, Robert.....	June 30, 1913
Powell, Frederick A.....	May 5, 1913
Powell, Rev. Webster H.....	Feb. 6, 1905
Powers, Edgar C.....	Dec. 6, 1897
Powers, Walter.....	June 3, 1907
Pratt, Frederick L.....	Feb. 3, 1913
Priggen, George H.....	Nov. 4, 1912
Proudfoot, Dudley A.....	Dec. 31, 1906
Pugh, David F.....	Nov. 1, 1915
Purdy, Herbert L.....	Mar. 3, 1902
Rae, William M.....	Mar. 6, 1905
Ramsey, Frank A.....	June 30, 1905
Randlett, Elmer P.....	June 30, 1902
Rankin, Colin D.....	Sept. 3, 1906
Ray, Thomas R.....	June 29, 1916
†Rawson, Edward L.....	Mar. 5, 1900
Reece, Karl W. P.....	Nov. 2, 1908
Reed, Ralph S.....	June 7, 1915
Rhodes, Fred S.....	Sept. 7, 1903
*Rice, Hamilcar.....	Oct. 9, 1855
Richard, Herbert.....	Oct. 4, 1909
Richardson, Charles A.....	Feb. 5, 1906
Richardson, Frank L., M. D.....	Mar. 1, 1909
Richardson Harry M.....	Feb. 1, 1915
Richards, Samuel E.....	Mar. 7, 1898
Rich, Carlton H.....	April 4, 1910
Rider, Charles H.....	June 5, 1899

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NAME	Date Membership
Rider, Charles H., Jr.....	Nov. 5, 1900
Ridgeway, Rupert L.....	June 1, 1903
Riemer, Hugo B. C., M. D.....	Nov. 4, 1907
*Riley, Isaac.....	June 1, 1874
Risteen, Alvah C.....	Sept. 1, 1902
Roberts, Edward B.....	Feb. 1, 1909
Roberts, Frederick G.....	Feb. 3, 1902
Roberts, George F. F.....	June 7, 1897
†Roberts, Leonard G.....	June 7, 1897
Rockwood, Paul C.....	June 30, 1911
Roe, Arthur S.....	June 5, 1911
Romeiser, Theodore H., M. D.....	Feb. 3, 1902
Ross, John O.....	June 5, 1916
Ross, Winthrop P.....	June 29, 1916
Root, Albert B.....	Sept. 2, 1889
Root, Albert B., Jr.....	June 30, 1909
Ross, Charles R.....	Sept. 1, 1902
Rowse, Walter W.....	Oct. 30, 1905
Royle, Matthias B. T.....	Jan. 4, 1909
Ruiter, James R.....	June 4, 1906
Russell, Fred N.....	June 1, 1908
Russell, Thomas H.....	June 1, 1914
Rutter, George H.....	Nov. 30, 1904
Sanborn, Alonzo H.....	June 14, 1907
Sanders, Richard S.....	Feb. 1, 1915
Sanft, Frank F. G., M. D.....	Jan. 15, 1896
Sargent, William F.....	April 5, 1915
†Saunders, Arthur H.....	May 5, 1902
Sawyer, William F.....	Dec. 1, 1902
Sawyer, William M.....	Feb. 4, 1907
Scales, Otto C.....	Mar. 5, 1900
Schirmer, George L.....	June 14, 1907
Schmeisser, Capt. James S.....	Nov. 23, 1907
Schwarz, Richard.....	June 2, 1905
Scott, Matthew.....	June 7, 1897
Scudder, Harold G.....	Jan. 1, 1912
*Seaverns, Francis, Jr.....	Mar. 6, 1871
Sereque, Miguel.....	June 29, 1908
Severy, Leon F.....	Feb. 4, 1901
*Shapleigh, James H.....	Oct. 5, 1863
Shaw, Andrew G.....	May 29, 1911
Shaw, Herman W.....	June 7, 1909
Sheldon, Nelson L.....	July 25, 1905

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† Life member.

NAME	Date Membership
*†Shepard, Harvey N.....	Oct. 6, 1873
*Shoninger, Bernard J.....	Oct. 7, 1878
Shrigley, Wilfred R.....	Oct. 2, 1916
Shuffler, Lee B.....	Feb. 2, 1914
Simons, George C.....	June 21, 1911
Simons, Jacob A.....	Nov. 7, 1887
Silver, Elmer E.....	Nov. 18, 1903
Skelton, John, Jr.....	Feb. 1, 1909
Sleeper, Dwight W.....	June 29, 1908
Sleeper, Fred A.....	May 4, 1908
Sleeper, George L.....	May 29, 1905
Small, Guy E.....	Nov. 7, 1910
Smith, Charles C.....	May 1, 1911
Smith, Charles H.....	Feb. 6, 1905
*Smith, Charles M.....	Oct. 4, 1869
Smith, Franklin E.....	Oct. 6, 1913
Smith, Frederick M.....	June 2, 1903
Smith, Sherburne J.....	April 1, 1912
Smith, Walter A.....	Jan. 1, 1912
Smith, Walter M.....	May 6, 1912
†Smith, Walter P.....	Mar. 7, 1904
Smither, William.....	Dec. 5, 1887
Snow, Ralph H.....	Mar. 9, 1911
Soper, Fred L.....	May 1, 1893
Sortevik, Marinus E.....	Nov. 1, 1915
Soule, Chester F.....	Jan. 3, 1916
Spear, Millard F.....	May 29, 1905
Spear, Willis F.....	June 30, 1913
Speirs, Walter T.....	Nov. 4, 1912
*Spiller, Joseph B.....	Dec. 4, 1871
Spitz, Abraham P.....	June 4, 1888
*Spitz, Henry B.....	June 7, 1880
Sprague, Henry B.....	June 5, 1899
Squire, Paul C.....	April 1, 1912
Stanley, Richard B.....	Nov. 2, 1908
Staples, Harry C.....	Mar. 7, 1910
Staples, Oscar S.....	Oct. 2, 1905
Stephens, Archibald G.....	Feb. 7, 1910
Stetson, George A.....	May 4, 1903
Stetson, Horace, Jr.....	Nov. 4, 1907
†Stevens, Harry C.....	May 29, 1912
Stiles, Frank B.....	Oct. 7, 1907
Stiles, Oscar C.....	May 4, 1903
Stoddard, Joseph E.....	June 29, 1906

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† Life member.

‡ Honorary member.

NAME	Date Membership
Stoddard, Philip M.....	Feb. 2, 1914
Stone, Howard A.....	Nov. 6, 1905
Stoner, John C.....	June 19, 1913
†Stoodley, Charles F.....	Jan. 30, 1908
*Story, George O.....	Sept. 4, 1865
Stott, Samuel E.....	June 29, 1906
*Strauss, Ferdinand.....	Oct. 2, 1876
*Strauss, Louis.....	Dec. 5, 1881
Strecker, Charles B.....	June 7, 1895
Strong, Frederick F., M. D.....	May 7, 1900
Strong, T. Morris, M. D.....	Feb. 5, 1900
Sturtevant, Edward L.....	June 23, 1905
Sturtevant, William B.....	April 1, 1912
Sutherland, James C.....	April 1, 1907
Suckling, John F.....	Mar. 28, 1903
Suder, Geo. B.....	Nov. 3, 1913
Swett, Edward H.....	June 2, 1913
Swift, Jesse G.....	June 29, 1906
Taber, Walter F. W.....	June 1, 1908
†Talbot, Edmund H.....	Dec. 3, 1888
*Talbot, Edward A.....	April 3, 1871
Taylor, Edgar R.....	Feb. 6, 1905
Taylor, Thomas D.....	Dec. 3, 1906
Taylor, Walter C.....	Feb. 5, 1906
*Taylor, Washington I.....	June 4, 1866
Terhune, Everit B.....	Aug. 29, 1902
Terhune, William L.....	May 5, 1902
Terry, Joseph N.....	May 1, 1905
Thayer, Frank W.....	Oct. 6, 1890
Thayer, Henry B.....	June 6, 1893
*Thomas, Charles U.....	Dec. 5, 1864
Thomas, Earl M.....	Nov. 4, 1912
Thompson, Charles O.....	June 25, 1912
Thompson, Frank E.....	April 6, 1896
Thompson, John T.....	June 1, 1903
Thompson, Malvern J.....	Nov. 2, 1914
Thornton, Wm. H.....	Nov. 3, 1913
Thresher, Ambert E.....	May 3, 1915
Thurston, Frank W.....	June 3, 1904
†Tidd, Lyman R.....	Dec. 1, 1902
Tinkham, Selwyn G.....	Nov. 1, 1915
Tishler, Maurice.....	Sept. 7, 1903
Titus, Henry B.....	June 1, 1908
Torrey, George A.....	Dec. 31, 1906

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†Life member.

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NAME	Date Membership
Torrey, Louis B.....	May 1, 1911
Tougas, Walter L.....	June 21, 1901
Town, William S.....	April 26, 1903
Tracey, Lewis E.....	Mar. 2, 1903
Trowbridge, Almarin.....	Oct. 4, 1909
Tufts, Rev. William M.....	July 29, 1915
Tukesbury, Philip H.....	Feb. 3, 1913
Turner, Albert A.....	Nov. 3, 1902
Turner, Robert E.....	April 26, 1903
Tyler, William J.....	Dec. 1, 1902
Upham, Calvin J.....	Feb. 3, 1913
*Upham, George D.....	Feb. 3, 1888
Vanderzee, John B.....	May 7, 1906
Vialle, Henry A.....	Jan. 4, 1904
Von Olker, Ferdinand P.....	June 6, 1904
Vorenberg, Samuel.....	June 3, 1907
Walker, Alexander T.....	June 3, 1907
Walker, Frank P.....	Oct. 4, 1915
Walker, Frederick W.....	June 7, 1909
Walker, Lester T.....	May 3, 1909
Wallace, John C.....	Oct. 3, 1904
Wallis, Robert S.....	Feb. 5, 1912
Walton, David H.....	May 1, 1905
Wardrop, Frederick.....	Mar. 6, 1899
† Warner, Paul H. W.....	Nov. 2, 1914
Watson, David L.....	Oct. 5, 1891
Watts, Charles A.....	Feb. 4, 1901
Wellington, Edwin F.....	June 30, 1902
Welsh, William.....	June 23, 1905
Wentworth, Andrew S.....	June 11, 1903
Wentworth, George S.....	April 7, 1913
Wentworth, Miles S.....	June 2, 1905
West, Fred D.....	Feb. 7, 1910
West, Lewis S.....	June 23, 1905
*† Wetherald, James T.....	Sept. 16, 1886
Wetmore, Charles H.....	Mar. 7, 1910
Wheeler, Clifton H.....	Nov. 6, 1905
Wheeler, Frank A.....	June 4, 1900
* Wheeler, George W.....	Feb. 4, 1867
White, Edward H.....	April 2, 1906
White, Everitt S.....	Oct. 4, 1909
White, Isaac M.....	Mar. 5, 1906

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† Life member.



NAME	Date Membership
*White, Willard.....	May 2, 1877
Whiting, Frank J. F.....	Feb. 1, 1909
Whiting, Fred E.....	Mar. 2, 1891
Whitmore, Louis B.....	June 5, 1911
Whitney, Chester C.....	Nov. 4, 1907
†Widmer, Frederick T.....	Mar. 2, 1903
Wiles, Harry A.....	April 30, 1906
Wilkins, Frank P.....	May 1, 1907
†Willis, Guy C.....	Jan. 4, 1904
Williams, Frederick A., Jr.....	Oct. 4, 1915
Williams, Oliver S.....	Mar. 3, 1913
Williams, Thomas E.....	Mar. 2, 1914
Wills, Carol S.....	Feb. 4, 1908
Wilson, John H. S.....	Jan. 30, 1907
Wilson, Melbourne E.....	Sept. 6, 1907
Wilson, Thomas.....	Mar. 7, 1898
Wilson, Wilfred R., D. D. S.....	Sept. 6, 1907
Wodell, Frederick W.....	Jan. 10, 1910
†Woll, Gustav H.....	Oct. 2, 1905
†Wollinger, George F.....	May 4, 1903
Wood, Allen H.....	Mar. 1, 1897
Wood, Charles B.....	Nov. 7, 1892
Wood, William H.....	April 4, 1910
Wood, William I.....	May 6, 1907
Woodall, John S.....	Jan. 30, 1908
Woods, Walter H.....	June 4, 1894
Woodruff, Frederic O.....	Dec. 5, 1887
Woodside, Winfield L.....	Mar. 29, 1905
Woodworth, Henry E.....	June 6, 1904
Wright, Frederick.....	Nov. 15, 1910
Wurst, Charles W.....	April 5, 1909
Wyman, Frank H.....	Dec. 5, 1898
Yerxa, Donald M.....	Nov. 7, 1910
Young, Freeman N.....	April 6, 1896
Zerbel, Fred A.....	Jan. 4, 1909
Zeuner, Frederick W.....	June 3, 1912
Zeuner, Henry.....	June 3, 1912

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† Life member.

## RECAPITULATION

Honorary members.....	4
Life members.....	50
Thirty-year members.....	54
Paying members.....	666
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From which deduct 4 honorary members and 2 life members, who are also 30-year members, making a total membership of 768

## HONORARY MEMBERS

When Elected

Wor. Theodore H. Emmons.....	Feb. 4, 1867
Wor. Frederick T. Commee.....	Jan. 6, 1879
Rt. Wor. Harvey N. Shepard.....	Jan. 1, 1883
Bro. George D. Dodd.....	Dec. 2, 1901

## DECEASED HONORARY MEMBERS

Baker, John	Mills, James.
Bell, Shubael.	Meston, Lyman B.
Crosby, Sumner.	Monroe, Martin A.
Collamore, John H.	Nichols, Charles C.
Dennie, Thomas.	Nelson, Henry W.
Dunn, Samuel.	Oxnard, Thomas.
Dickson, James A.	Oliver, Francis J.
Dixwell, John.	Paige, Enoch.
Eveleth, Samuel.	Peirce, William F.
Eveleth, Joseph.	Price, Henry.
Flint, John.	Pickman, G. Gayton.
Fox, James A.	Pickett, James B.
Hammatt, John B.	Roberts, Augustus W.
Hamilton, Rev. Luther.	Raymond, Freeman C.
Harwood, Daniel.	Sheppard, John H.
Hews, John.	Tucker, Joshua.
Kent, William H.	Tarbell, Luther L.
Lewis, Winslow.	Thomes, William H.
Lafayette, Major-Gen. Gilbert Mottier.	White, Ferdinand E.
Miller, Brig-Gen. James.	Walter, Lynde M.
Martin, William C.	Wells, Rev. E. M. P.
Marshall, Wyzeman.	

N. B.—First record of Honorary Membership appears in the records of the meeting held Jan. 18, 1813:—

Voted, That R. W. John B. Hammatt be admitted, and hereafter considered an Honorary Member of St. John's Lodge in consideration of important services rendered.

General Lafayette was elected an Honorary Member Feb. 1, 1825.

## LIFE MEMBERS

Alden, George E.	Howland, George L.
Badger, Daniel B.	Hurd, Lyman C., Jr.
Baker, George N.	Irving, Albert S.
Bartlet, Ashton H.	Jackson, Herbert W.
Bauer, Albert P.	Kinquist, Albin.
Bauer, Frederick L.	Lawrence, Stewart G.
Bergquist, John F.	Montague, Rt. Wor. David T.
Blakeley, Clarence.	Pendleton, John C.
Brewitt, Thomas.	Pendleton, Walter E.
Brook, Thomas A.	Pierce, Lewis J.
Brooks, George A.	Pommer, Frederick G.
Carrie, Wor. William A.	Rawson, Edward L.
Carter, Charles H.	Roberts, Wor. Leonard G.
Chadwick, Charles A.	Saunders, Arthur H.
Child, Samuel L.	Smith, Walter P.
Crowell, Thomas L. S.	Stevens, Harry C.
Curtis, Paul O.	Stoodley, Charles F.
Cushman, Lewis N.	Talbot, Wor. Edmund H.
Daugherty, Allen H.	Tidd, Lyman R.
Drisko, Fred M.	Wetherald, Wor. James T.
Fletcher, Edwin J.	Widmer, Frederick T.
Guyon, Alfred J.	Willis, Guy C.
Harvey, George W.	Woll, Gustav H.
Heath, Wor. William S.	Wollinger, George F.
Hosford, Samuel W. B.	Werner, Paul H. W.

## MEMBERS FOR THIRTY YEARS OR MORE

Adams, Aquila	Emmons, Wor. Theodore H.
Allen, Willis B.	Fellows, John I.
Atwood, Harrison H.	French, Ferdinand.
Badger, Daniel B.	Griffith, George A.
Bates, George C.	Harvey, Charles A.
Bliss, Wor. Frederic W.	Holmes, George N.
Bowker, S. Dexter.	Hurd, Lyman C.
Brown, Harry W.	Jacobs, Edward F.
Caldwell, George W.	Jacobs, Wor. J. Arthur.
Campbell, Charles M.	Knapp, George B.
Chadwick, William H.	Leighton, George E.
Comee, Wor. Frederick T.	Lyons, Walter S.
Comstock, Allen L.	Meserve, Isaac H.
Conant, Albert A.	Obst, Charles M.
Currier, William W.	Oschwald, August.
Devereaux, Charles J.	Pitman, Henry W.
Dickieson, Henry R.	Rice, Hamilcar.
Dodd, George D.	Riley, Isaac.
Emery, Thomas J.	Seaverns, Francis, Jr.

Shapleigh, James H.  
 Shepard, Rt. Wor. Harvey N.  
 Shoninger, Bernard J.  
 Smith, Charles M.  
 Spiller, Joseph P.  
 Spitz, Henry B.  
 Story, George O.  
 Strauss, Ferdinand.

Strauss, Louis.  
 Talbot, Edward A.  
 Taylor, Washington I.  
 Thomas, Charles U.  
 Upham, George D.  
 Wetherald, Wor. James T.  
 Wheeler, George W.  
 White, Willard.





**PAST MEMBERS OF SAINT JOHN'S LODGE**



## PAST MEMBERS OF THE LODGE

(Names arranged according to date of membership)

WITH DATE OF MEMBERSHIP, WITHDRAWAL, AND DECEASE, AS FAR AS CAN BE OBTAINED

NAME.	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Akens, John.....	1738	—	1809
Audibert, Philip.....	1741	—	1754
Aston, Thomas.....	1743	—	1766
Allen, Thomas.....	1750	—	—
Adams, John.....	1750	—	1795
Alexander, William.....	1752	—	—
Appleton, Henry.....	1761	—	—
Andrews, Stephen.....	1762	—	1821
Avery, Elisha.....	1768	—	1782
Alline, William.....	1795	—	1825
Allen, John F.....	1800	—	—
Abbott, Samuel.....	1804	—	—
Atherton, Abel W.....	1806	—	—
Amee, Jacob.....	1813	—	1844
Allanson, John S.....	1817	—	—
Alden, Cyrus.....	1818	1826	—
Ayers, John.....	1821	1826	—
Austin, William.....	1821	1828	—
Adams, John Q.....	1826	—	—
Ainsworth, Frederick S.....	1851	1856	—
Alger, Cyrus, Jr.....	1853	—	1855
Amee, John.....	1854	1856	—
Abbott, John E.....	1854	1860	—
Anderson, Robert.....	1854	1858	—
Adams, Abel A.....	1857	1866	—
Alden, Henry C.....	1858	1871	—
Abbott, Andrew.....	1858	1878	—
Almy, Charles H.....	1859	1868	—
Ayer, Phineas.....	1859	1871	—
Anderson, William P.....	1861	1873	—
Abbott, Charles E.....	1861	—	1902
Allen, James W.....	1863	—	1901
Allen, Lucius, Jr.....	1864	1871	—
Atkinson, William D., Jr.....	1866	1878	—
Adams, Leonard B.....	1868	1876	—
Asmus, John H. M.....	1869	—	1889
Allen, Lucius W.....	1869	—	1880
Andrews, George H.....	1872	1880	—



NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died
Amsden, Henry F.....	1873	—	1910
Andrews, Elbridge F.....	1873	—	1904
Allen, Stillman B.....	1875	—	1891
Ashton, Henry G.....	1878	—	1895
Austin, Cyrus P.....	1882	1890	—
Adams, Henry K.....	1884	1887	—
Anderson, Andrew P.....	1886	1891	—
Aldrich, Abbott L.....	1888	1904	—
Adams, Walter S.....	1893	1903	—
Austin, Joseph.....	1893	—	1913
Ames, Jesse.....	1905	1913	—
Alexander, James.....	1910	1915	—
Austin, Thomas.....	1912	1916	—
Amoroso, Louis.....	1914	—	1914
*Belcher, Andrew.....	1733	—	1771
Baker, John.....	1733	—	—
Beteilhe, Francis.....	1734	—	—
Boyd, Robert.....	1735	—	—
Bethune, Nathaniel.....	1736	—	1771
Bowman, Alexander.....	1738	—	—
Box, John.....	1740	—	1774
Bishop, William.....	1741	—	1778
Boutin, John.....	1743	—	—
Ball, William.....	1743	—	—
Brockwell, Rev. Charles.....	1743	—	1755
Bowers, Robert.....	1747	—	—
Bayard, Belthazar.....	1748	—	—
Bowers, Henry.....	1749	—	—
Ballard, Bartholomew.....	1762	—	—
Box, John, Jr.....	1762	—	—
†Burbeck, William.....	1767	—	1785
Bradford, John.....	*1768	—	1803
Breck, William.....	1780	—	—
Barber, Nathaniel.....	1780	—	1787
Bush, Joseph.....	1784	—	1793
†Bell, Shubael.....	1794	—	1819
Bowers, John.....	1794	—	—
Blake, George.....	1795	—	1841
Baylis, William.....	1796	—	1798
Beal, Richard C.....	1797	—	—
Burley, Thomas.....	1797	—	1810
Bigelow, Asahel.....	1798	—	—
Badlam, Stephen.....	1803	—	1847
Briggs, Seth.....	1804	—	—

\* Deputy Grand Master, 1733. Son of Governor Belcher.

† Colonel Revolutionary Army. ‡ Senior Grand Warden, 1808.

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Briggs, Enos.....	1804	1820	—
Blanchard, John W.....	1804	—	1811
Baker, John.....	1805	1819	—
Bartlett, Nathaniel H.....	1805	—	1812
Brine, Charles.....	1807	—	—
Batson, Joshua.....	1809	—	—
Bliss, Elam.....	1809	1819	—
Boscemdes, F.....	1809	—	—
Blagg, Benjamin.....	1814	—	—
Bradford, Charles.....	1814	1819	—
Battelle, Thomas.....	1814	—	—
Baldwin, Luke.....	1814	1828	—
Burnham, Francis A.....	1816	—	—
Ballard, Silas.....	1817	—	1835
Bliss, Alexander.....	1817	1819	—
Buckingham, Joseph T.....	1818	1829	—
Brooks, John.....	1818	1826	—
Ballistier, Joseph.....	1818	—	—
Bugbee, Edward.....	1820	1830	—
Bullard, Asa.....	1820	—	1826
Barrell, Samuel B.....	1821	1824	—
Barnard, Moses.....	1823	1840	—
Bond, John.....	1824	1829	—
Bradley, Edward W.....	1825	—	—
Bacon, George.....	1825	1837	—
Bayley, Richard W.....	1825	1829	—
Browne, J. Vincent.....	1827	1849	—
Bugard, B. F.....	1838	—	—
Bramhall, William.....	1842	1853	—
Blake, George T.....	1844	1877	—
Bartlett, Frederick K.....	1844	1849	—
Berry, Franklin W.....	1847	1849	—
Birnstill, Joseph.....	1847	1856	—
Barker, Richard M.....	1848	1856	—
Burnett, Joseph.....	1851	1857	—
Bradt, Herman D.....	1851	—	1911
Bradshaw, Franklin E.....	1852	1868	—
Bartlett, William S.....	1852	1856	—
Bruce, Jephtha C.....	1852	—	1857
Burrows, Stephen.....	1853	—	1885
Brown, Edwin L.....	1854	1861	—
Browne, Horace E.....	1854	1856	—
Blake, Charles H.....	1854	1856	—
Blanchard, William G.....	1855	—	1892
*Burrill, Rev. John T.....	1855	1856	—

\* Rector Christ Church, 1860-1868.

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Brookings, William H.....	1855	1861	—
*Bliss, Cornelius N.....	1858	—	1911
Brown, Frederic L.....	1861	—	1916
Barber, Joel D.....	1860	—	1873
Browne, William H.....	1860	—	1899
Bowman, Oliver P.....	1860	—	1880
Baird, George.....	1860	—	1891
Brooks, Leonard W.....	1860	1875	—
Ball, Joseph G.....	1861	1885	—
Botume, John, Jr.....	1862	1882	—
Bartlett, Edward L.....	1863	1881	—
Bartlett, George H.....	1863	1870	—
Baldwin, J. Thomas.....	1864	—	1900
Barnes, Lewis A.....	1864	—	1896
Bowman, Francis G.....	1864	—	1874
Bishop, John O.....	1864	—	1900
Bates, Phineas.....	1865	—	1883
Bowen, Seranus.....	1865	1873	—
Bradt, Benjamin N.....	1865	—	1905
Belknap, Lyman A.....	1866	—	1913
Brigham, John L.....	1866	—	1874
Bassett, Thomas M.....	1867	—	1896
Barnard, Orin A.....	1868	—	1896
Blake, Lyman R.....	1868	—	1883
Boris, Pierre J.....	1868	—	1908
Brigham, George A. D.....	1869	1874	—
Bartlett, Augustus G.....	1870	1873	—
Buckley, William H.....	1871	—	1887
Briggs, George N.....	1873	—	1883
Bickford, Nelson N.....	1873	1879	—
Bemis, M. Melvin.....	1874	—	1891
Brown, Edward P.....	1875	1886	—
Blunt, Harvey.....	1875	—	1898
Boyden, Edward C.....	1876	—	1906
Binkhurst, Albert C.....	1877	1886	—
Blanchard, Calvin W.....	1877	1887	—
Berry, William H.....	1881	—	1912
Buffum, Edgar.....	1881	—	1914
Blanchard, Rev. Henry.....	1882	1882	—
Blackie, John.....	1882	—	1907
Boyd, Thomas A.....	1887	—	1907
Blake, George W.....	1890	1908	—
Billings, Orsamus N.....	1894	1901	—
Barney, Henry E.....	1895	1908	—
Beauchain, John L.....	1897	—	1909

\*Secretary of the Treasury in President McKinley's Cabinet.

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Brand, Frederick J.....	1900	—	1912
Buitekan, Nathan.....	1900	—	1916
Briggs, Joseph E.....	1901	1913	—
Buehler, George Van B.....	1901	1906	—
Bergmann, Charles R.....	1901	—	—*
Bemis, Arthur W.....	1902	—	1905
Boyden, George E.....	1902	1906	—
Burnham, Charles A.....	1903	1913	—
Burnham, Horace H.....	1903	1906	—
Bartlet, William W.....	1903	—	1910
Beetle, William R.....	1904	1908	—
Blair, Thomas M.....	1904	—	1914
Bliss, William H.....	1904	1916	—
Bascom, Jonathan A.....	1905	—	1911
Barnes, Erwin M.....	1906	1916	—
Babson, John M.....	1907	—	1910
Bonney, William W.....	1910	—	1914
Cerke, James.....	1735	—	—
Crawford, James.....	1736	—	—
Charles, Robert.....	1740	—	—
Cade, Peter.....	1740	—	—
Cossett, Peter.....	1742	—	—
Campling, Thomas.....	1742	—	—
Cahill, Edward.....	1743	—	—
Coffin, William.....	1744	—	—
Cross, Thomas.....	1745	—	1807
Colson, John.....	1745	—	—
Cummins, Robert.....	1746	—	—
Calef, Samuel.....	1749	—	—
†Colvill, Rt. Hon. Alexander Lord .....	1750	—	—
Callender, Joseph.....	1761	—	1802
†Cutler, John.....	1761	—	1805
Clouston, ———.....	1762	—	—
Carter, James.....	1764	—	1798
Cox, Lemuel.....	1768	—	—
Coolidge, Joseph.....	1780	—	1791
Carnes, Thomas.....	1780	—	—
Coleman, Dudley.....	1791	—	—
Cole, Edward.....	1795	—	—
Campbell, James.....	1797	—	1804
Cazneau, Samuel.....	1800	—	—
Coolidge, Cornelius.....	1800	—	—

\* Date of death unknown. Probably lost at sea, 1916.

† Deputy Grand Master, 1752.

‡ Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge 1792-94.



NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Cutler, James.....	1801	—	1818
Clement, Charles.....	1801	—	—
Coolidge, Samuel F.....	1806	1813	—
Carrera, John A.....	1809	1819	—
Clark, John P.....	1809	1813	—
Cotton, Charles.....	1813	1819	—
Clark, Samuel.....	1817	1819	—
Copeland, William M. H.....	1820	1829	—
Conant, Thaddeus.....	1820	1843	—
Crosby, Sumner.....	1824	—	1875
Child, David L.....	1825	—	—
Crosby, Alonzo.....	1833	1848	—
Capen, Nahum.....	1834	1843	—
Cobb, J. James.....	1841	1846	—
Chapman, John.....	1843	—	1846
Crossett, Robert W.....	1846	1859	—
Coolidge, Nathaniel.....	1846	—	1864
Chapman, Truman D.....	1847	1856	—
Codman, Willard W.....	1852	1858	—
Cowdin, John.....	1853	1878	—
Collins, James H.....	1854	1871	—
Chapman, Francis D.....	1854	1860	—
Chapman, Newton W.....	1854	1868	—
Cheney, Jonathan H.....	1854	1856	—
Caldwell, Humphrey P.....	1854	—	1892
Child, George H.....	1854	—	1867
Chapman, Joseph.....	1854	—	1867
Cutter, Benjamin F.,.....	1854	—	1900
Cook, Justin E.....	1855	1868	—
Covington, Edwin.....	1856	—	1864
Clap, Samuel G.....	1856	1868	—
Cheney, Henry W.....	1857	1861	—
Conery, Daniel E.....	1857	1866	—
Cram, Jerome B.....	1857	1880	—
Clifford, Samuel W.....	1858	1887	—
Clements, William A.....	1859	1860	—
Cilley, Jeremiah K.....	1859	1870	—
Coombs, Joseph M.....	1859	—	1870
Colby, Albert.....	1859	1867	—
Clark, John E.....	1859	1871	—
Carpenter, William H.....	1860	1862	—
Child, Linus M.....	1860	1871	—
Chandler, Charles P.....	1860	—	1862
Cobb, Samuel D.....	1860	1888	—
Collyer, John L.....	1861	1873	—
Campbell, Gleason R.....	1861	1871	—

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Cheney, Arthur.....	1861	1868	—
Crowell, Timothy.....	1861	—	1908
Cleaves, Nathaniel.....	1863	—	1880
Cleaves, N. Porter.....	1863	—	1899
Crowell, Charles H.....	1863	1871	—
Carter, Nathan P.....	1864	1871	—
Churchill, George.....	1864	—	1910
Clark, Orus.....	1865	1878	—
Carlisle, George W.....	1865	—	1904
Carpenter, Fisher J.....	1866	—	1894
Cleaves, Joshua.....	1867	1883	—
Crispin, John G.....	1867	1893	—
Cline, Charles W.....	1867	1893	—
Copeland, Edward.....	1867	—	1879
Caverly, Charles, Jr.....	1867	—	1893
Cilley, Horace L.....	1867	1890	—
Capper, Thomas H.....	1868	—	1895
Coy, Samuel I.....	1868	—	1906
Clifford, Samuel W., Jr.....	1871	—	1902
Colby, Henry C.....	1872	1886	—
Chase, Albert W.....	1872	—	1891
Carroll, Robert S.....	1872	—	1903
Chapman, Amos.....	1874	—	1904
Clapp, Herbert C.....	1875	1880	—
Crawley, George E.....	1875	1896	—
Carrick, Henry C.....	1875	1884	—
Critchett, Herbert L.....	1886	1891	—
Clarke, Botsford R.....	1886	1903	—
Crowell, Oliver F.....	1889	—	1890
Connery, Charles W.....	1890	1890	—
Curtis, Thomas R.....	1893	—	1911
*Collamore, John H.....	1895	—	1896
Cunningham Henry S.....	1898	1908	—
Cheyne, Hugh, Jr.....	1899	1907	—
Cazmay, Charles D.....	1901	—	1914
Curtis, Samuel P.....	1903	—	1911
Carleton, Guy T.....	1903	1914	—
Carter, Russell S.....	1904	1910	—
Clark, Byron G.....	1904	1911	—
Coombs, Frank E.....	1907	1915	—
Collister, William D.....	1908	1912	—
Davis, Nicholas.....	1736	—	1785
Derby, Nathaniel.....	1737	—	—
Deblois, Stephen.....	1737	—	—

\* Honorary only.

Name.	Member- ship	With- drawn.	Died.
Delavoux, Alexander.....	1739	—	—
Dennie, Albert.....	1739	—	—
Dillon, Peter.....	1739	—	—
Dunster, Thomas.....	1740	—	—
Durfey, Thomas.....	1740	—	—
Dyson T.....	1742	—	—
Dolobaratz, Lewis.....	1744	—	—
Day, William.....	1746	—	1795
Day, James.....	1746	—	—
Dwight, John.....	1747	—	—
Dalton, William.....	1748	—	—
Davis, William.....	1753	—	1795
Davis, Edward.....	1753	—	1790
Deblois, Lewis.....	1753	—	1802
Dean, John.....	1762	—	—
Dumaresque, Philip.....	1764	—	—
Dennie, Thomas.....	1780	—	1842
*Dunn, Samuel.....	1780	—	1815
Donnison, William.....	1780	—	1834
Deverell, John.....	1780	—	—
Dix, William.....	1794	—	—
Downie, David.....	1797	—	—
Dench, Lawson.....	1800	—	1820
Dix, Joseph.....	1800	—	—
Dix, John.....	1803	—	—
Dickson, James A.....	1804	—	1852
†Dean, Rev. Paul.....	1807	—	1860
‡Dixwell, John, M. D.....	1809	—	1834
Dana, Nathaniel.....	1811	1819	—
Dana, Samuel.....	1819	1829	—
Dickerman, William A.....	1823	1829	—
Dutch, Alfred.....	1823	1833	—
Durgin, Clement.....	1826	1828	—
Dickson, Shadrach.....	1832	1853	—
Dewar, Henry A.....	1837	1840	—
Davis, Elijah M.....	1841	—	1843
Dieves, Guillaume.....	1845	1848	—
Dean, Benjamin.....	1854	1856	—
Dix, Joseph.....	1855	—	1878
Davis, John W.....	1855	1875	—
Dix, James A.....	1858	—	1865
Dow, Horatio W.....	1858	1861	—
Dudley, Thomas E.....	1858	1868	—

\* Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge, 1800-1802.

† Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge, 1838-40.

‡ Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge, 1821-23.

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Delano, Charles M.....	1859	1871	—
Dykes, Alfred.....	1859	—	1890
Danforth, John N.....	1861	1868	—
Davis, Joseph.....	1864	—	1908
Dean, Bradley.....	1865	1871	—
Dix, John H.....	1865	1874	—
Dennis, George W.....	1866	—	1903
Dyer, James W. P.....	1867	1880	—
Darling, David H.....	1867	—	1902
Drew, John.....	1868	—	1871
Dorr, George W.....	1868	—	1911
Davis, H. Alric.....	1868	—	1901
Disbrow, Robert (M. D.).....	1869	—	1907
Deland, Frank E.....	1871	—	1878
Davis, Thomas P.....	1872	—	1882
Dodge, Caleb S. P.....	1872	—	1905
Dunbar, J. Henry.....	1873	1880	—
Dinsmore, John H.....	1875	1883	—
Durkee, William C.....	1879	1887	—
Davis, Charles E.....	1879	—	1904
Dunham, Harrison.....	1883	1890	—
Dunbar, Eugene F.....	1884	1896	—
Dunham, Charles W.....	1887	—	1893
Devereaux, Charles B.....	1892	1899	—
Dobson, William T.....	1892	—	1900
Deane, George R. C.....	1896	1910	—
Dunbar, J. Henry, Jr.....	1898	—	1906
Daggett, Harry C.....	1899	1915	—
Danielson, Gustaf.....	1901	—	1910
Dahl, Carl H.....	1903	1915	—
Dow, George E.....	1904	—	1913
Duncan, Alexander.....	1904	—	1916
Dow, Edward A.....	1905	1916	—
Dennison, Herbert E.....	1906	1913	—
Dudley, William H.....	1907	—	1913
Dickerman, George W.....	1910	1916	—
Ellis, Edmund.....	1733	—	—
Ellery, William.....	1748	—	—
Eppe, William.....	1749	—	—
Ewing, John.....	1751	—	1786
*Eaton, Rev. Asa.....	1800	—	1858
Eaton, James B.....	1805	—	—
Everett, David.....	1809	—	—

\* Rector of Christ Church, Boston, 1805-1829. Deputy Grand Master, 1820.



NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Edwards, Charles.....	1809	1813	—
English, William.....	1811	1819	—
Earl, Hezekiah.....	1815	1820	—
Eveleth, Samuel.....	1817	—	1854
Eveleth, Joseph.....	1817	—	1856
Eliot, Ephraim L.....	1821	1840	—
Eldridge, Gideon.....	1825	1837	—
Eldredge, Edward.....	1832	1843	—
Ely, Alfred B.....	1847	—	1872
Edlefson, John H.....	1850	—	1862
Earle, Ethan.....	1850	1867	—
Erney, Henry.....	1861	1871	—
Everett, George.....	1861	—	1881
Emery, Stephen L.....	1863	—	1899
Eaton, Louis F.....	1900	1915	—
Emery, Horace S.....	1865	1877	—
Eastman, George S.....	1866	1880	—
Eaton, Rufus.....	1868	—	1890
Eiswald, George H.....	1901	1902	—
Eldredge, Nehemiah D.....	1906	—	1908
Elmendorf, Myron J.....	1907	—	1912
Engdoll, Joseph T.....	1908	1916	—
*Forbes, James.....	1735	—	1769
Farrell, John.....	1737	—	—
Ferritor, Nicholas.....	1748	—	—
Fenton, Robert.....	1762	—	1797
Fleet, Thomas.....	1750	—	1758
Flagg, James.....	1762	—	1773
Fabre, Peter.....	1780	—	—
Farrington, Thomas.....	1783	—	1807
Flumin, John.....	1783	—	—
Fobes, Thomas.....	1795	—	—
Farley, Ebenezer.....	1800	—	1826
Fitch, Jeremiah.....	1804	—	1849
Faucon, Nicholas.....	1805	—	1817
Fitch, Amos.....	1807	—	—
French, Ephraim.....	1810	1826	—
Fogg, Jeremiah P.....	1814	1819	—
French, Marshall.....	1816	1819	—
Felch, Rev. Cheever.....	1817	—	—
French, Moses.....	1819	1826	—
Fuller, Seth.....	1819	—	1847
Farrar, Simon.....	1823	—	—
Foster, James.....	1825	1840	—

\* Deputy Grand Master, 1756.

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Flint, John, M. D.....	1834	—	1875
Fuller, Lorin L.....	1854	1858	—
French, Benjamin.....	1855	1856	—
Fox, Charles J.....	1857	—	1898
*Fox, James A.....	1858	—	1900
Frost, Eben H.....	1859	—	1866
French, George W.....	1863	1890	—
Floyd, David O.....	1864	1871	—
Fuller, George W.....	1865	1871	—
Fuller, Charles.....	1865	1878	—
Felch, George M.....	1865	—	1899
Fox, Charles A.....	1865	—	1913
Francis, Andrew H.....	1867	—	1871
Felton, Alexander C.....	1867	1871	—
Felton, Benjamin R.....	1868	1871	—
Fowler, James A.....	1869	—	1875
Fisk, George R.....	1874	1879	—
Fairbanks, J. Adams.....	1874	1880	—
Fullerton, George A.....	1873	1904	—
Fenno, Kimball J.....	1882	—	1904
Freeman, Elbridge C.....	1900	—	1906
Fraser, John.....	1900	1916	—
Fearing, Arthur D.....	1901	1915	—
Folsom, Paul F.....	1903	1913	—
Ford, William C.....	1905	—	1914
Fieldhouse, Herbert.....	1906	1911	—
Flett, William J.....	1906	1915	—
Gordon, James.....	1733	—	1770
Gordon, John.....	1733	—	—
Gordon, William.....	1733	—	—
Grice, William.....	1734	—	—
Gardiner, Robert.....	1734	—	1782
†Gruchy, Thomas J.....	1742	—	—
Glover, Robert.....	1744	—	—
Gridley, Richard.....	1745	—	—
†Gridley, Jeremiah.....	1748	—	1767
Gardner, Robert.....	1749	—	—

\* Mayor of Cambridge, Mass., 1881-1884.

† Visitors to Christ Church are impressed with a tablet on the wall under the balcony which reads:

“In the memory of Thomas James Gruchy, junior warden of this Church, a merchant adventurer from New Jersey, who in parlous times as captain of the privateer Queen of Hungary took from a French ship in the year 1746 the four figures of cherubim holy now in front of the organ.”

‡ Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge, 1755-67.

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Gooking, Daniel.....	1750	—	—
Gardner, Joseph.....	1753	—	1788
Gooch, William.....	1768	—	—
Gridley, Samuel.....	1780	—	1800
Gibson, Thomas.....	1797	—	—
Gurley, John W.....	1800	—	1808
Gardner, Joseph.....	1804	—	—
Gibbon, James W.....	1805	—	—
Goodwin, Simeon S.....	1805	—	—
Garner, Abner.....	1806	—	—
Goldsburg, Samuel, Jr.....	1809	1819	—
Gregg, Samuel.....	1810	—	1855
Greenough, William.....	1810	—	—
Gilliam, Henry.....	1813	—	—
Greenlaw, James.....	1814	1819	—
Gibbs, Alexander H.....	1815	1818	—
Gale, William.....	1818	1822	—
Gibson, John G.....	1821	1824	—
Gori, Ferdinando.....	1844	1849	—
Gove, Rodney.....	1845	1849	—
Gardner, Francis.....	1847	—	1881
Guild, Albert.....	1848	1869	—
Gage, Christopher C.....	1854	1861	—
Gore, Horace H.....	1854	—	1857
Gay, Eben F.....	1854	1856	—
Gookin, Abijah B.....	1854	1878	—
Greer, John.....	1854	1880	—
Guild, Curtis.....	1854	—	1911
Graves, William E.....	1855	1857	—
Gardner, John T.....	1855	1867	—
Goss, George.....	1859	1868	—
*Goodrich, Francis C.....	1859	—	1863
Gore, Theodore A.....	1859	—	1875
Gove, J. Sumner.....	1860	—	1901
Gilbert, Alanson A. C.....	1863	—	1892
Gill, Henry F.....	1863	1883	—
Gay, Charles H.....	1864	1871	—
Gates, Milton N.....	1864	—	1903
Getchell, William H.....	1866	—	1910
Gardner, Charles F.....	1867	1870	—
Gilbert, John C.....	1867	1874	—
Garland, James W.....	1867	—	1892
Gardner, J. Warren.....	1869	—	1882
Gregory, Daniel.....	1871	1898	—
Gilbert, Ellery T.....	1872	1885	—

\* Killed at the Battle of Gettysburg.

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NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Gleason, Haskell W.....	1872	—	1911
Going, George.....	1873	1898	—
Gallison, Henry H.....	1874	1891	—
Greenleaf, John F.....	1880	1889	—
Gray, Thomas J.....	1882	1890	—
Gladwin, Russell I.....	1896	1916	—
Goodwin William N.....	1897	1916	—
Guilford, William R.....	1898	—	1904
Grigor, Harry E.....	1900	—	1910
Graves, Erwin R.....	1901	1911	—
Gillespie, Walter H.....	1906	—	1908
Gray, Elmir C.....	1906	1915	—
Hope, Henry.....	1733	—	—
Hamilton, Frederick.....	1733	—	1769
Halliburton, Andrew.....	1733	—	—
Hall, Peter.....	1733	—	—
Hallowell, Benjamin.....	1734	—	1773
Hutchinson, John.....	1736	—	1799
Hugget, John.....	1736	—	—
Hooper, Daniel.....	1741	—	—
Hammond, Peter.....	1746	—	—
Huston, John.....	1749	—	—
Hallowell, Benjamin, Jr.....	1750	—	—
Harvey, William.....	1750	—	—
Hallowell, Briggs.....	1752	—	—
Hatch, Estes.....	1753	—	—
Hewes, Shubael.....	1764	—	—
Honohona, Thomas.....	1766	—	—
Hickling, William.....	1766	—	—
Hitch, John.....	1767	—	—
Hutchins, Matthew.....	1770	—	—
Hunt, Samuel W.....	1790	—	—
Hayt, Lewis.....	1791	—	1810
Homer, James L.....	1794	—	1798
Hayt, Elna.....	1794	—	—
Healey, William.....	1800	—	—
Hammatt, John B.....	1800	—	1864
Hale, Eliphalet.....	1801	1810	—
*Haskell, Rev. Samuel.....	1801	—	—
Haws, Phineas.....	1804	—	—
Harris, John.....	1805	—	1826
Hunt, Lewis.....	1807	—	—
Henderson, Andrew.....	1808	—	—
Hamilton, William.....	1809	—	—
Hatch, Benjamin.....	1810	—	—

\* Rector of Christ Church, Boston, 1801-1804.



NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Hatch, Oliver.....	1813	—	1829
Hagerman, John.....	1814	—	—
Hewes, William G.....	1814	—	—
Hatchman, John.....	1814	—	1825
Hammond, Edward.....	1814	1819	—
Huntington, Benjamin.....	1815	1824	—
Hobbs, Prentiss.....	1819	—	1858
Hudson, Benjamin.....	1822	1828	—
Hews, John.....	1824	—	1870
Harris, Elijah D.....	1825	—	—
Hilliard, William, Jr.....	1826	1843	—
Hastings, Joseph S.....	1833	—	—
Harwood, Daniel, M. D.....	1834	—	1881
Haskell, Noah D.....	1835	1843	—
Hamilton, Rev. Luther.....	1837	1847	—
Hoyt, Aaron B.....	1838	1843	—
Higgins, Peter.....	1842	1872	—
Henshaw, Charles C.....	1843	—	1867
Hewes, Virgil H.....	1845	1856	—
Hockey, Joseph.....	1846	1851	—
Hall, John K.....	1846	1878	—
Hudson, Samuel A.....	1847	1852	—
Holman, Gilman C.....	1847	1852	—
Herbon, Michael L.....	1849	1855	—
Hough, William E.....	1853	—	1891
Harwood, Irving I.....	1854	—	1887
Holman, Ralph W.....	1854	—	1871
Howes, Barzillai.....	1854	1868	—
Hill, Charles E.....	1855	1858	—
House, Thomas F.....	1855	1861	—
Hutchins, Isaac B.....	1857	1861	—
Haynes, Henry W.....	1857	1865	—
Hopkins, Alexander.....	1858	—	1872
Hall, Francis A.....	1859	—	1885
Harris, Robert L.....	1859	1861	—
Hepworth, Rev. George H.....	1859	1871	—
Healey, James I.....	1860	1871	—
Hall, Frank A.....	1860	1872	—
Hilliard, William.....	1860	—	1869
Hammond, John.....	1860	—	1900
Hine, Elijah B.....	1860	—	1907
Hardy, Ambrose.....	1861	—	1876
Harlow, Jairus.....	1861	—	1893
Hatch, Henry.....	1862	1869	—
Hickie, John.....	1862	—	1875
Hall, Adino B., M. D.....	1864	—	1880

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NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Huntington, George L.....	1864	—	1902
Hamilton, Alonzo A.....	1865	—	1883
Hartman, Louis F.....	1865	—	1903
Halloway, William H.....	1865	—	1905
Hall, Horatio G.....	1865	—	1912
*Hart, Thomas N.....	1866	1878	—
Harvey, George D.....	1866	—	1909
Howe, Buckley H.....	1867	—	1895
Hart, Joseph.....	1869	1884	—
Hyson, Cornelius.....	1870	1888	—
Holt, Albert N.....	1871	1893	—
Horton, Charles H., Jr.....	1871	—	1904
Hollander, Meyer.....	1871	—	1912
Hand, Oscar F.....	1872	—	1915
Hale, Albert M.....	1872	—	1882
Hyde, John W.....	1874	—	1877
Higgins, Alfred.....	1874	—	1907
Hicks, Joseph.....	1875	1878	—
Hatch, Henry.....	1882	1894	—
Hersey, Ira G.....	1885	1900	—
Holt, Samuel L.....	1890	—	1905
Howe, George E.....	1892	1914	—
Hicks, Joseph.....	1892	—	1911
Hazeltine, William O.....	1894	—	1912
Homer, Frank V.....	1900	1914	—
Hayes, Alfred S.....	1901	—	1912
Holliday, Guy C.....	1901	1913	—
Hagar, John D.....	1903	1915	—
Hendricks, Walter L.....	1903	1913	—
Ham, Joseph H.....	1906	1912	—
Hague, Charles G.....	1907	1916	—
Hasselbach, Robert A.....	1908	—	1914
Hinson, J. Miller, Jr.....	1909	—	1910
Hanchett, William F.....	1911	1912	—
Indigot, John.....	1749	—	—
Ingalls, William.....	1805	1843	—
Ingersoll, Charles M.....	1815	1819	—
Ingraham, Joseph W.....	1825	—	1848
Ingols, James P.....	1862	—	1890
Ingalls, William.....	1865	—	1903
†Jenkins, Robert.....	1739	—	1773
Johonnot, Francis.....	1742	—	1777

\* Mayor of Boston, Mass., 1889-90.

† Deputy Grand Master, 1757-63

NAME	Member-ship.	With-drawn.	Died.
Joy, William.....	1742	—	—
Johnson, Henry.....	1743	—	—
Jones, John.....	1745	—	1776
Jenkins, John.....	1753	—	1803
Joy, John.....	1762	—	1798
Jackson, James.....	1762	—	1807
Jackson, Benjamin.....	1767	—	1779
James, Samuel G.....	1767	—	—
Jones, William.....	1768	—	1804
Jollay, William.....	1780	—	—
Johonnot, Gabriel.....	1780	—	1820
Jones, John.....	1791	—	1805
Jarvis, William.....	1795	—	—
Johnson, Nathaniel.....	1797	—	—
Judkins, Moses S.....	1804	—	—
Jones, P. A. J. P.....	1817	—	—
Jeffries, Ebenezer.....	1823	—	—
Junge, Charles F. W.....	1850	1853	—
Johnson, John C.....	1850	—	1895
Jackson, Gustavus.....	1855	1857	—
Jackman, Charles G.....	1859	1883	—
Jarvis, John F., M. D.....	1861	—	1893
Jacobs, Thomas R.....	1862	—	1876
Jacobs, David H.....	1862	—	1888
Jones, Henry S.....	1864	1871	—
Jordan, Augustus C.....	1864	1867	—
Jenkins, Loyal L.....	1864	—	1909
Jacobs, George W.....	1865	—	1896
Johnson, Samuel M.....	1866	1878	—
Jellison, Francis A.....	1877	1886	—
Jarvis, William F., M. D.....	1881	1885	—
Jones, Ira B.....	1909	1916	—
Kennelly, Thomas.....	1733	—	—
Keller, Edward.....	1739	—	—
Kilby, Thomas.....	1741	—	1746
Kind, Thomas.....	1743	—	—
Keller, Abraham.....	1743	—	—
Kennaway, Thomas.....	1752	—	—
Knight, Thomas.....	1763	—	—
Kennedy, John.....	1803	1837	—
Kneeland, Samuel.....	1818	1849	—
Keating, Theodore.....	1828	—	1830
Keating, Matthew M.....	1829	1840	—
Kimball, Moses.....	1848	1854	—
Kreisler, Edward.....	1859	1861	—

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Knox, Charles H.....	1859	—	1891
*Kent, William H.....	1860	—	1889
Krogman, Samuel B.....	1860	1877	—
King, George M.....	1860	—	1898
Kennedy, Edward T.....	1865	1878	—
Kelley, Edward A.....	1868	1871	—
Kimball, Benjamin F.....	1871	1874	—
Kapusy, Louis F.....	1872	—	1884
Knowlton, Asa S.....	1879	—	1889
King, George A.....	1882	—	1901
Karcher, Jacob, Jr.....	1894	1913	—
Kammerlee, Gustavus.....	1896	—	1915
Kemp, William H., Jr.....	1901	—	1902
Lyle, John.....	1734	—	—
Lockman, Leonard.....	1738	—	—
Lamport, John.....	1739	—	—
Leddain, George.....	1740	—	—
Lee, John.....	1742	—	1761
Lewis, Edmund.....	1743	—	—
Littlejohn, David.....	1748	—	—
Leddel, Henry.....	1749	—	—
Leverett, John.....	1749	—	—
Logan, Walter.....	1750	—	—
Logie, Charles.....	1763	—	—
Loring, Benjamin.....	1766	—	1798
Laughton, Joseph.....	1782	—	1808
Larkin, Samuel.....	1801	—	—
Loring, William.....	1803	1813	—
Lord, Jabez.....	1803	—	—
Lathrop, Samuel C.....	1805	—	—
Lee, Eben.....	1805	—	—
Lathrop, John, Jr.....	1811	1819	—
Leverett, William A.....	1813	—	1820
Lord, Joseph H.....	1817	1826	—
Lauriat, Louis A.....	1819	—	—
Lord, Thomas.....	1823	1835	—
Ladd, Frederick P.....	1824	—	—
Leverett, Frederick P.....	1826	—	1836
Lang, William, Jr.....	1826	1837	—
†Lewis, Winslow, M. D.....	1834	—	1875
Lord, John H.....	1843	1846	—
Lamb, Edward.....	1845	—	1853
Lawrence, Richard C.....	1849	1855	—

\* Mayor Charlestown, Mass., 1870-1872.

† Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge, 1855, 1856, 1860.



NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died
Lincoln, Luke P.....	1851	1855	—
Lyford, Thomas.....	1854	—	1865
Loring, Harrison.....	1854	1888	—
Lothrop, Joshua R.....	1855	1856	—
Lyford, Henry A.....	1856	—	1875
Low, Joseph K.....	1857	—	1904
Lovett, Abiel A.....	1858	1859	—
Lynde, James.....	1858	1871	—
Leach, William H.....	1859	—	1872
Lee, J. Howard.....	1863	—	1908
Leavitt, Abraham M.....	1864	—	1898
Long, Edward J.....	1866	—	1875
Lyon, George.....	1868	1891	—
Lyman, Charles F.....	1871	—	1880
Longfellow, John B. H.....	1874	1878	—
Leach, Charles H.....	1889	—	1892
Lincoln, William H.....	1889	1912	—
Ludy, Peter D.....	1900	1910	—
Livesey, William P.....	1902	—	1914
Le Bonté, George N.....	1903	1909	—
Lachmund, Ralph H.....	1909	1911	—
Lewis, William B.....	1912	—	1913
Moloney, Thomas.....	1733	—	—
McLean, Robert.....	1733	—	—
McNeal, John.....	1733	—	1753
*McDaniel, Hugh.....	1734	—	1770
Moffat, Thomas.....	1735	—	1748
Maxwell, John.....	1737	—	—
Monk, James.....	1739	—	—
Morris, William.....	1739	—	—
Montier, James.....	1739	—	—
Marlow, Benjamin.....	1741	—	—
Martin, William.....	1746	—	1815
McKenzie, Andrew.....	1747	—	—
Malcolm, Rev. Alexander.....	1748	—	—
McKay, Hugh.....	1749	—	—
Murray, William.....	1753	—	—
McNeill, Archibald.....	1756	—	1809
Mann, Joseph.....	1761	—	—
Mawdlesly, John.....	1765	—	—
Marston, Benjamin.....	1768	—	—
McDaniel, Jacob.....	1768	—	—
Mackay, Mungo.....	1780	—	1811

\* Captain of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, 1750. Deputy Grand Master, 1737, 1743, 1750.

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Morrell, William.....	1800	—	1827
Mackay, John.....	1800	—	1816
May, John, Jr.....	1801	—	1823
Miller, Samuel.....	1802	—	1828
Mudge, Samuel.....	1802	—	—
Mallet, Francis.....	1802	1819	—
McGibbon, James.....	1810	—	—
Mayo, Seth.....	1811	1813	—
Myers, Samuel.....	1812	—	—
Morgan, Lyttleton T.....	1813	—	1829
Miller, Brig.-Gen. James.....	1814	—	1851
Moore, Robert.....	1814	—	—
Morgan, James.....	1815	—	—
Morrill, James, Jr.....	1816	—	—
Millet, Abraham, Jr.....	1821	—	—
Muzzy, Benjamin.....	1821	1830	—
Mills, James K.....	1823	1833	—
Mace, Abraham C.....	1842	—	1871
Martin, William C.....	1851	—	1863
Munroe, Abel B.....	1851	—	1876
Marsh, George.....	1853	—	1867
Marshall, Wyzeman.....	1853	—	1896
Mendum, Willis B.....	1854	—	1899
Marsh, Harrison.....	1855	—	1884
Morrill, Asa.....	1855	—	1870
McCartney, William H.....	1857	1874	—
Merrill, Albert J.....	1858	—	1888
Macomber, John F.....	1858	—	1898
Meston, Lyman B.....	1858	—	1877
Moore, Edward P.....	1858	1871	—
McNevins, William.....	1858	1861	—
Mann, Eben.....	1859	—	1881
Maine, William H.....	1859	—	1879
Mozart, Frederick W.....	1859	—	1896
Mudge, Lemuel D.....	1859	—	1862
Morse, Charles A.....	1859	1869	—
Merrill, Ezekiel.....	1859	—	1873
Morse, John C.....	1859	—	1901
Moore, Alexander.....	1859	—	1912
Merritt, Ira A.....	1860	1868	—
Morris, Charles.....	1860	—	1867
Moulton, William U.....	1860	—	1898
Mills, James.....	1861	—	1893
*Mack, John.....	1861	—	1899
Martin, William D.....	1862	—	1891

\* Captain of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, 1882.

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Merrill, Amos B.....	1863	—	1872
Marsh, George M.....	1864	—	1865
Moulton, Charles H.....	1864	—	1867
McDaniel, John W.....	1865	1871	—
Morse, Henry G.....	1865	—	1879
May, Henry A.....	1865	—	1911
Merrill, Charles A.....	1866	—	1895
Morton, Charles H.....	1869	1889	—
Munroe, Martin A.....	1869	—	1913
May, Bernhard.....	1871	—	1875
Mace, Edwin C.....	1872	—	1875
Maddock, George H.....	1872	1890	—
Merrill, Thomas T.....	1872	1886	—
Maddock, Thomas.....	1876	1879	—
Morse, Godfrey.....	1876	—	1911
Marden, Edward E.....	1884	1889	—
Mains, Sumner F.....	1885	1899	—
Myers, Solomon.....	1886	1904	—
McKenzie, James F.....	1887	1913	—
Marchant, Herbert F.....	1888	—	1891
*Munroe, Rev. William H.....	1889	—	1892
Maxwell, Benjamin V. A.....	1890	1895	—
Maxwell, Benjamin V.....	1890	—	1915
Mason, Waldo H.....	1892	1913	—
McGonagle, Arthur.....	1892	1913	—
McMeekin, Robert J.....	1895	1908	—
Moulton, Stephen J.....	1896	—	1909
Morrison, Charles B.....	1901	—	1909
Merrill, William C. (Rev.).....	1901	1905	—
Miller, Russell B.....	1901	—	1913
Mack, John.....	1902	1913	—
Mack, John.....	1902	1908	—
Morrill, William D.....	1902	1912	—
Moore, James W.....	1903	—	1906
Moffatt, Isaac.....	1903	—	1908
Maxwell, Fred I.....	1904	—	1912
Marsh, George.....	1903	1906	—
Marsh, Charles S.....	1904	1906	—
McLellan, Hugh D.....	1904	—	1912
Moxon, Raymond L.....	1906	1913	—
Mantor, Frank H.....	1906	—	1909
Maxwell, Thomas H.....	1906	—	1910
Merritt, James A.....	1906	—	1915
Miller, Henry J.....	1907	1911	—

\* Rector of Christ Church, 1881-1892.

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn	Died
Mulholland, Joseph.....	1908	1916	—
MacLaughlin, Charles D.....	1907	1916	—
Mills, Harry L.....	1910	1913	—
Nappier, John.....	1739	—	—
*Newman, Robert.....	1783	—	1804
Niles, Ebenezer.....	1795	—	—
Nye, Joseph.....	1797	—	1816
Nye, Samuel.....	1803	—	—
Newell, Joseph.....	1809	—	1818
Nichols, Charles C.....	1811	—	1844
Nye, Seth W.....	1811	—	—
Nelson, Henry W.....	1839	—	1899
Newton, Charles L.....	1845	—	1900
Newcomb, John J.....	1846	1854	—
Nicholson, William C.....	1854	—	1897
Newcomb, Solomon.....	1856	—	1871
Neal, John B.....	1859	1861	—
Nash, William W.....	1859	—	1868
Newcomb, James W.....	1860	—	1865
Noyes, John V.....	1860	1868	—
Nute, Charles H.....	1860	1885	—
Norris, Rufus G.....	1865	—	1887
Norris, Edward L.....	1865	1880	—
Newell, Walter H.....	1867	—	1882
North, Charles H.....	1867	—	1901
North, John H.....	1871	—	1908
North, Frank A.....	1898	1908	—
Norton, Andrew.....	1902	—	1913
Noble, Delmore P.....	1902	1915	—
Naylor, Percy E.....	1904	—	1909
Nicholson, Joseph F.....	1905	1913	—
Neal, Frederic C.....	1908	1915	—
†Oxnard, Thomas.....	1734	—	1754
†Oliver, Andrew.....	1740	—	1774
Oliver, Peter.....	1749	—	1792
Odin, John.....	1750	—	—
Otis, James.....	1752	—	1783
§Oliver, Francis J.....	1800	—	1858
Osgood, Isaac P.....	1826	—	—
Oakes, George L.....	1839	—	1851

\* Sexton of Christ Church, and hung the Signal Lanterns in the Steeple, April 18, 1775.

† Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge, 1744-54.

‡ Lieutenant-Governor, Massachusetts, 1771.

§ Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge, 1817-19.



NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Odiorne, Henry B.....	1841	1843	—
Ober, E. Gardner.....	1851	1854	—
O'Brien, William.....	1853	1860	—
Oliver, George W.....	1854	—	1884
Oliver, Andrew J.....	1859	—	1905
Oliver, John, Jr.....	1874	1878	—
Otis, Samuel A.....	1874	—	1894
Oakes, Frank L.....	1910	—	1912
*Price, Henry.....	1733	—	1780
Phillips, Thomas.....	1733	—	—
Peaslee, Robert.....	1733	—	—
Pemberton, Samuel.....	1733	—	—
Pemberton, Benjamin.....	1734	—	—
Pearson, Thomas.....	1738	—	—
Pelham, Peter.....	1738	—	1751
Pringle, John.....	1739	—	—
Phillips, Caleb.....	1739	—	—
Prescott, Peter.....	1739	—	—
Pue, Jonathan.....	1743	—	—
Phillips, Erasmus J.....	1743	—	—
Pelham, Charles.....	1744	—	1809
Phillips, John.....	1745	—	1787
Potter, Simeon.....	1746	—	—
Purdie, Hugh.....	1749	—	—
Price, Ezekiel.....	1753	—	—
Paddock, Adino.....	1761	—	—
Perkins, William.....	1763	—	—
Prince, Job.....	1768	—	1790
Patten, Nathaniel.....	1768	—	—
Prince, Job, Jr.....	1780	—	1798
Parkman, Elias.....	1780	—	—
Peirce, Nathaniel.....	1780	—	—
Parkman, Samuel.....	1780	—	—
Proctor, John.....	1801	—	—
Phillips, Patrick.....	1801	—	—
Parkman, John A.....	1802	—	1812
Payson, John P.....	1802	—	—
Powell, Joseph.....	1805	—	—
Parker, John.....	1805	—	—
Paine, Charles.....	1807	—	—
Parsons, Samuel.....	1810	—	1821
Penniman, John R.....	1810	1821	—
Patten, Jotham S.....	1812	1819	—
Priest, Worham.....	1817	1821	—
Plympton, Alexander.....	1817	—	—

\* Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge, 1733-37, 1754.

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died
Pickman, C. Gayton.....	1819	—	1860
Payson, Thomas.....	1819	—	1844
Priest, Joel.....	1821	1843	—
Peirce, Rev. Warren.....	1821	1826	—
Phelps, Abel.....	1825	—	1848
Philpot, William.....	1828	—	—
Pritchard, John H.....	1843	1844	—
Parker, William O.....	1843	1846	—
Putnam, Ansel W.....	1844	1848	—
Peirce, Jonathan.....	1846	—	1867
Poore, Ben. Perley.....	1847	1854	—
Parrott, George B.....	1849	1852	—
Philbrick, John L.....	1851	1860	—
Pearce, William.....	1852	—	1867
Phelps, Jacob C.....	1852	1856	—
Pinkerton, Thomas H.....	1853	1863	—
Pierce, John.....	1854	—	1883
Phillips, Norton W.....	1855	1871	—
Patch, Sidney.....	1855	—	1868
Plimpton, Edson E.....	1857	—	1875
Plimpton, Frederick S.....	1858	1879	—
Pennell, David S.....	1858	—	1861
Prichard, William H.....	1858	—	1869
Pickett, George B.....	1858	1878	—
Powers, Charles E.....	1859	1868	—
Pycott, William S.....	1859	—	1891
Preston, Samuel.....	1859	—	1880
Prescott, William S.....	1859	—	1891
Pennock, Nathaniel A.....	1860	—	1864
Pickett, James B.....	1860	—	1874
Porter, Alfred H.....	1860	—	1886
Potter, Zebedee D.....	1861	—	1872
Paige, Charles E.....	1861	1868	—
Prouty, Dwight.....	1862	1871	—
Paige, E. Austin.....	1863	1876	—
Pastrouich, Nicholas A.....	1863	—	1898
Patten, I. Bartlett.....	1864	—	1906
*Peirce, Joseph N., Jr.....	1865	—	1875
Pierce, Andrew J.....	1865	—	1876
Preston, George O.....	1865	1880	—
Peirce, William F.....	1865	—	1901
Perkins, James D.....	1866	—	1911
Pratt, Daniel.....	1866	—	1902
Perkins, William O.....	1867	1895	—
Pelton, Florentine W.....	1867	—	1885

\* Senior Warden when deceased.

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Peabody, William B. O.....	1868	—	1894
Page, James H.....	1868	—	1903
Parker, Thomas L.....	1869	—	1887
Patch, Hamilton R.....	1869	—	1903
Paige, Enoch.....	1869	—	1904
Park, William G. H.....	1871	—	1901
Pillsbury, E. Liston, M. D.....	1872	—	1880
Provan, Robert.....	1873	—	1907
Prescott, Charles W.....	1874	1883	—
Park, Francis E.....	1874	—	1904
Papanti, Lorenzo F.....	1880	—	1905
Pocock, Alfred A.....	1882	—	1909
Pettit, Emerson B.....	1888	—	1891
Pace, Edwin E.....	1891	1915	—
Partridge, Lasell E.....	1896	1906	—
Phillips, Lewis L.....	1900	—	1916
Porter, William K., Jr.....	1901	—	1905
Parker, Edwin L.....	1902	1905	—
Perkins, Morrill L.....	1903	—	1916
Phinney, George A. (Rev.).....	1905	—	1911
Phelps, George H.....	1912	1916	—
Quane, John.....	1733	—	—
Quincy, Edmund.....	1749	—	—
Quincy, Edmund, Jr.....	1759	—	1782
*Quincy, Josiah.....	1795	—	1864
Quincy, William H.....	1893	—	1902
†Rowe, John.....	1740	—	1787
Rickman, John.....	1740	—	—
Rand, Robert.....	1740	—	—
Ruggles, George.....	1741	—	—
Rhodes, Samuel.....	1741	—	—
Ramsey, Andrew.....	1743	—	—
Rush, John.....	1746	—	—
Russell, Jeremiah.....	1761	—	—
Russell, Joseph.....	1762	—	1795
Roberts, Peter.....	1768	—	1775
Reed, Sampson.....	1781	—	—
Reed, William.....	1800	—	—
Russell, John.....	1800	—	—

\* In Congress, 1808-13. Mayor of Boston, Mass., 1823-28. President of Harvard College, 1829-45.

† Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge, 1768-87. In Massachusetts Legislature, 1784, and through his efforts the historical Codfish was hung in the Representatives' Chamber that year.

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Revere, Joseph W.....	1803	—	—
Rogers, Samuel, Jr.....	1804	—	—
*Russell, Benjamin.....	1811	—	—
Rogers, David.....	1814	—	—
Richardson, James B.....	1816	—	—
Roberts, Augustus W.....	1824	—	—
†Raymond, Edward A.....	1838	1841	—
Roy, Pierre M. T.....	1842	1843	—
Ryan, James.....	1842	—	1848
Raymond, Freeman C.....	1842	—	1879
Robbins, Charles.....	1844	1856	—
Rice, Lewis.....	1844	—	1877
Robinson, George W.....	1845	1848	—
Renton, Peter.....	1845	1854	—
Raymond, Joseph P.....	1847	1854	—
Riley, Hugh.....	1847	—	1864
Reed, James M.....	1853	—	1891
Rice, Charles B.....	1854	—	1888
Ring, Gardner T.....	1856	1858	—
Robinson, Charles E.....	1858	1878	—
Rice, William.....	1859	1878	—
Ramsay, George L.....	1859	1868	—
Rice, James.....	1861	—	1870
Ropes, George.....	1861	1878	—
Rice, L. Frederick.....	1861	—	1909
Riley, Frederic.....	1864	—	1914
Robinson, John T.....	1863	1871	—
Riley, James M.....	1864	1878	—
Rich, Matthias.....	1864	—	1914
Rice, Henry B.....	1866	—	1903
Romney, Charles W.....	1867	—	1903
Riley, James M.....	1866	1899	—
Rose, Horace C.....	1865	—	1873
Royce, Martin L.....	1867	1876	—
Ricker, Moses.....	1869	1876	—
Rice, George P.....	1872	1901	—
Rich, Abraham.....	1872	—	1902
Roath, Charles J.....	1873	1888	—
Rich, John.....	1873	1879	—
Riley, Alberta.....	1876	—	1901
Reed, Charles H.....	1877	—	1882
Rawson, Elbridge M.....	1880	—	1916
Ricker, James A.....	1881	—	1912
Rawson, Willard A.....	1889	—	1893
Richardson, Arthur I.....	1894	1909	—

\* Grand Master, 1814-16. † Grand Master, 1849-51.



NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Roskell, George L.....	1901	—	1912
Rawson, Charles T.....	1901	—	1907
Ramsdell, James W.....	1901	1916	—
Richmond, Israel T.....	1902	1913	—
Rudesill, James C. V.....	1903	1910	—
Roundy, William A.....	1904	—	1913
Russell, George E. P.....	1904	—	1915
Rogers, William W.....	1905	1914	—
Rogers, Granville P.....	1905	1915	—
Reid, Isby W.....	1913	1914	—
Scott, Andrew.....	1734	—	—
Scott, Hugh.....	1734	—	—
Saint, John.....	1737	—	—
Sherrif, J.....	1737	—	—
Swan, Ebenezer.....	1738	—	—
Surrey, Hugh.....	1739	—	—
Smith, Thomas.....	1739	—	1795
Smithson, Henry.....	1741	—	—
Spencer, Archibald.....	1743	—	—
Starkey, William.....	1744	—	—
Stansbury, Benjamin.....	1746	—	—
Salmon, John.....	1747	—	1754
Swan, Thomas.....	1750	—	—
Swift, Samuel.....	1751	—	—
Scott, Joseph.....	1753	—	1771
Stowe, William.....	1753	—	—
Savage, Abraham.....	1757	—	—
Salter, Richard.....	1761	—	1803
Spooner, George.....	1768	—	1826
Sellon Samuel.....	1780	—	1799
Shaw, William.....	1781	—	—
Smith, Seth.....	1797	—	—
Swift, Asa.....	1797	—	—
Shaw, Robert G.....	1800	—	1853
Sawyer, David.....	1802	—	—
Stackpole, William, Jr.....	1803	—	—
Skillings, Nehemiah W.....	1806	—	—
Sorsea, Antonio M.....	1810	—	—
Sanborn, Simon.....	1810	—	—
Simmons, David A.....	1810	—	—
Swift, Foster.....	1811	1819	—
Simonds, Joshua.....	1814	—	1825
Stockwell, Samuel.....	1815	—	—
Sweetser, Charles B.....	1816	—	—
Story, Horace C.....	1816	—	1823
Sweeney, Hugh C.....	1817	—	—

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Searle, Rev. Addison.....	1819	—	1850
Sanger, Calvin P.....	1826	1827	—
Smith, Alanson.....	1826	1829	—
Spring, Charles A.....	1826	1837	—
Staples, John.....	1826	1852	—
Shattuck, Lemuel.....	1835	1843	—
Sturgis, Josiah.....	1839	1846	—
Stackhouse, Isaac N.....	1843	1845	—
Savory, Thomas C.....	1845	—	1896
Stacy, William R.....	1849	1871	—
Swett, Hubbard W.....	1849	1856	—
Stafford, George L.....	1850	—	1899
Seavey, Isaac P.....	1850	1851	—
Sinclair, Thomas.....	1851	—	1854
Savage, Edward H.....	1853	—	1893
Stevens, Charles T.....	1854	—	1887
Sheppard, John H.....	1854	—	1873
Stodder, John W. T.....	1854	—	1903
Schroeder, A. F. C.....	1855	—	1868
Shepard, Isaac F.....	1856	1874	—
Sawyer, Stephen L.....	1857	—	1862
Sawyer, Edwin R.....	1858	—	1870
Scudder, Marshall S.....	1858	1871	—
Stebbins, Lewis.....	1858	1861	—
Samson, Ichabod.....	1859	1868	—
Stetson, Sidney A.....	1859	1880	—
Studley, Ezekiel B.....	1860	—	1891
Smith, Horatio.....	1860	—	1894
Stearns, Charles H.....	1860	—	1890
Senter, Charles W. C.....	1860	—	1870
Sturgis, Harry H.....	1861	1866	—
Spaulding, George F.....	1862	—	1900
Stevenson, William W.....	1864	1878	—
Suck, George F.....	1864	—	1897
Smith, Gustavus A.....	1865	1879	—
Silloway, Joseph E.....	1865	—	1902
Sherburne, John S.....	1865	—	1914
Steere, Ellery T.....	1867	1889	—
Smith, Francis M.....	1867	—	1887
Smith, Theophilus.....	1868	1878	—
Swadkins, Thomas.....	1869	—	1888
Sleeper, Charles F.....	1869	1906	—
Simonds, George H.....	1869	—	1889
Skilton, Nathan B.....	1873	—	1880
Stowell, Eugene A.....	1873	1880	—
Souther, George.....	1873	1883	—

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Sargent, Horace M.....	1874	1883	—
Savage, Rev. Minot J.....	1875	1877	—
Smith, Thomas J. M.....	1875	1891	—
Sharman, Charles.....	1876	1881	—
Shurtleff, Benjamin.....	1876	—	1906
Southwick, Frank T.....	1885	1889	—
Spitz, Theodore P.....	1888	—	1899
Southward, John P.....	1894	1903	—
Stilwell, George M.....	1894	1904	—
Smith, Walter H.....	1902	—	1908
Spafford, Isaac B.....	1902	—	1911
Swett, George L.....	1903	1915	—
Sleeper, William E.....	1905	—	1908
Stomm, Howard E.....	1906	1915	—
Smith, Mark Oliver.....	1907	—	1909
Shackley, Frederic.....	1907	1916	—
Souther, Richmond P.....	1908	—	1911
Shedd, Frank E.....	1909	—	1916
Tyler, Noe.....	1734	—	—
*Tomlinson, Robert.....	1735	—	1740
Tabbs, James C.....	1737	—	—
Tracey, Patrick.....	1740	—	—
Tothill, Edward.....	1740	—	1772
Turner, Lewis.....	1743	—	1772
Tyler, Daniel N.....	1750	—	—
Tucker, Samuel.....	1779	—	1833
Thomas, Joshua.....	1793	—	—
Townsend, Alexander.....	1805	1820	—
Tucker, Benjamin.....	1805	—	1809
Thorp, Thomas.....	1810	—	—
Tappan, Lewis.....	1812	—	—
Tyler, John.....	1812	1833	—
Tellorgan, Littleton.....	1813	—	—
Trevett, Samuel R.....	1816	—	—
Taylor, Samuel P.....	1820	1829	—
Tyler, John S.....	1820	—	—
Thwing, Supply C.....	1821	1838	—
Trefethen, Thomas J.....	1834	1837	—
Thompson, William.....	1833	—	—
Tucker, Joshua.....	1835	—	1881
Tillinghast, Nicholas.....	1838	1843	—
Tucker, Elisha G.....	1844	1878	—
Tyler, John.....	1845	—	1881
Tucker, Lyman, Jr.....	1846	1856	—

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NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn	Died.
Tyler, George E.....	1846	—	—
Thompson, Benjamin F.....	1846	1849	—
Toombs, Edward H.....	1847	1856	—
Thornton, Solon.....	1851	1874	—
Tarlton, William B.....	1852	—	1897
Thacher, William S.....	1853	1856	—
Thaxter, Duncan McB.....	1853	1856	—
Turner, T. Larkin.....	1853	—	1897
Taylor, Nelcour D. V.....	1854	—	1865
Taft, Joseph G.....	1855	1872	—
Tarbell, Luther L.....	1855	—	1896
Tremere, Benjamin B.....	1855	—	1890
Tolman, Lucius A.....	1856	—	1871
Thacher, Thomas, Jr.....	1858	—	1870
Talbot, Samuel, Jr.....	1858	1876	—
Turner, Job A.....	1858	—	1886
Thomes, William H.....	1858	—	1895
Torrey, Charles.....	1858	—	1905
Thayer, Edward P.....	1859	—	1902
Thayer, Samuel G.....	1860	1867	—
Thatcher, Franklin N.....	1863	—	1916
Troup, George H.....	1864	—	1875
Taylor, William E.....	1865	1873	—
Tyler, William F.....	1865	—	1888
Taylor, W. Cranston.....	1865	—	1901
Taylor, Kenson E.....	1870	—	1910
Towne, Trueman B.....	1872	1878	—
Taft, William F.....	1873	1888	—
Thomes, William A.....	1874	—	1885
Temple, Charles A.....	1874	—	1886
Tenney, John S.....	1875	—	1911
Theall, Charles G.....	1882	—	1914
Tower, Benjamin L. M.....	1885	—	1909
Twiss, Frederick S.....	1910	1915	—
Underwood, James.....	1739	—	—
Urin, T.....	1764	—	—
Upton, Sylvester J.....	1864	1871	—
Vardy, Luke.....	1734	—	—
Vaughan, Narias.....	1739	—	—
Vavosour, Thomas.....	1748	—	—
Van Exter, Joachim.....	1792	—	—
Vance, William.....	1805	—	—
Vincent, William E.....	1816	—	1858
Vose, Edward A.....	1850	—	1873



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Vinal, Paul J.....	1859	—	1893
Vinal, Harrison B.....	1879	—	1915
Waddel, John.....	1733	—	—
Wolfe, Richard.....	1737	—	—
Waghorn, John.....	1737	—	—
Woodrop, Alexander.....	1738	—	—
Walker, Thomas.....	1738	—	—
Wallis, Lincy.....	1739	—	—
Withered, Henry.....	1740	—	—
Waterhouse, Samuel.....	1745	—	—
Williams, Robert.....	1746	—	1787
Williams, William.....	1746	—	1781
Woods, Rev. John.....	1746	—	—
Withered, S.....	1752	—	—
Williams, Alexander.....	1752	—	—
Walley, Thomas.....	1761	—	1806
Wheelwright, Job.....	1762	—	—
Waters, William.....	1766	—	1821
Williams, John F.....	1780	—	1814
Wheelwright, John.....	1781	—	—
Winship, Amos.....	1792	—	1801
Wier, David.....	1800	—	—
Welch, Francis.....	1800	—	—
Whitlock, Charles C.....	1801	—	—
Winthrop, John.....	1802	—	—
Wells, Seth.....	1803	—	—
Warland, Owen.....	1805	—	—
Whitman, Davis.....	1805	—	1844
Wheelock, Abel.....	1807	—	—
Worrell, John.....	1810	—	1826
Whiting, William P.....	1810	1811	—
White, Ferdinand E.....	1814	—	1853
Washburn, Samuel.....	1814	—	—
Williams, Charles.....	1816	—	1854
Whiting, George.....	1821	—	—
Walker, Samuel A.....	1824	—	—
Wells, John D.....	1826	1829	—
Warner, Franklin S.....	1826	1829	—
Whidden, John M.....	1826	1837	—
Wilson, James.....	1826	—	—
*Walter, Lynde M.....	1828	—	1842
Wells, Charles B.....	1832	1840	—
†Wells, Rev. E. M. P.....	1835	—	1878

\* Founder of Boston Transcript.

† Deputy Grand Master, 1845.

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NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Whiting, Calvin.....	1840	—	1857
Walker, Joel H.....	1842	1848	—
Woodman, Aaron.....	1844	1848	—
Warner, James O.....	1844	—	1845
Wakefield, Henry D.....	1845	1852	—
Wheeler, William.....	1847	—	1865
Wilson, John.....	1847	1861	—
Whitcomb, Oliver.....	1848	1871	—
Woodward, Henry M.....	1848	1852	—
Wichmann, F. Lewis.....	1851	1855	—
Willard, Henry, M. D.....	1851	—	1855
Walker, Clement A.....	1852	1856	—
Whitcomb, Arnold C.....	1852	1866	—
Whidden, Thomas J.....	1853	1867	—
Walworth, Caleb C.....	1854	1871	—
Wilbur, Horace B.....	1854	1858	—
Wood, Abiel, Jr.....	1855	1855	—
Walker, Leonard.....	1855	1865	—
Williams, James L.....	1855	1861	—
Weston, Samuel E.....	1855	—	1862
Williamson, George.....	1856	1868	—
Walden, Charles C.....	1856	1857	—
Warner, Barnet F.....	1857	1880	—
Weeks, George H.....	1857	1868	—
Wells, Benjamin, Jr.....	1858	—	1861
White, Edward A.....	1858	—	1891
Wing, Leander J.....	1860	1870	—
Wilbur, Joshua G.....	1860	1871	—
Wadsworth, George W.....	1860	—	1910
Whitney, Ira G.....	1861	1883	—
Wilson, Alexander.....	1861	—	1882
Walker, Charles P.....	1862	1878	—
Winslow, Charles H.....	1862	—	1881
Woodbury, Nathaniel A.....	1863	1871	—
White, John G. S.....	1863	1878	—
Whitney, Henry A.....	1863	1874	—
Winch, Calvin M.....	1863	1877	—
Weld, Horace N.....	1863	1878	—
Wright, Elbridge G.....	1864	—	1871
Walton, Daniel G.....	1864	1888	—
Winship, Thomas.....	1864	1889	—
Wentworth, Seth.....	1864	1883	—
Willis, James D. K.....	1865	1873	—
Wade, James H.....	1865	1886	—
Winkley, Samuel H. (Rev.).....	1865	—	1911
Wilde, Isaac D.....	1866	—	1911
Walcott, Francis D.....	1866	—	1898

NAME	Member- ship.	With- drawn.	Died.
Widmer, Theodore G.....	1867	—	1885
Woodman, John.....	1867	—	1908
Warden, Samuel.....	1867	—	1909
Weed, Alfred.....	1867	—	1907
Wilder, Leonard B.....	1868	1871	—
Whitaker, Frederic W. H.....	1869	1888	—
Washburn, William, Jr.....	1870	1877	—
Whitman, Kilborn.....	1871	1888	—
Whitney, William H.....	1874	1876	—
Washburn, Benjamin D.....	1876	1880	—
Wright, William.....	1879	1886	—
Whitman, Albert L.....	1884	1896	—
Weale, Samuel M.....	1885	—	1891
Wheeler, Morris P.....	1886	1903	—
Winchester, George D.....	1894	1903	—
Williams, Franklin S.....	1895	—	1910
Willard, David M.....	1895	1901	—
Wesel, Henry P.....	1896	1908	—
Walker, George W.....	1896	1905	—
Wood, John.....	1901	—	1910
Wilson, Harold E.....	1902	1906	—
Whitmore, Albion S.(M.D.).....	1905	—	1911
Whitaker, Ernest C.....	1906	—	1908
Woodward, Thomas A.....	1914	1916	—
Young, Matthew.....	1733	—	—
Young, John.....	1734	—	1814
Yeates, Donaldson.....	1813	1819	—
Young, George.....	1854	1876	—
Young, William, Jr.....	1857	1858	—
Young, Joseph C.....	1863	1880	—
Young, Louis W.....	1869	1888	—
Zahm, Herman F.....	1864	1873	—

## PAST MASTERS NOW LIVING

WITH DATE OF SERVICE.

Worshipful	Theodore H. Emmons.....	1865
"	Frederick T. Comee.....	1877-78
Right Wor.	Harvey N. Shepard.....	1881-82
Worshipful	J. Arthur Jacobs.....	1886
"	Frederic W. Bliss.....	1892-93
"	James T. Wetherald.....	1894-95
"	William A. Carrie.....	1896-97
"	Edmund H. Talbot.....	1898-99
Right Wor.	Albert B. Root.....	1900-01
Worshipful	Frank W. Thayer.....	1902-03
"	William S. Heath.....	1904-05
Right Wor.	David T. Montague.....	1906-07
Worshipful	Leonard G. Roberts.....	1908-09
"	John C. Hurl.....	1911-12
"	Frederick S. Fogg.....	1913-14
"	Walter F. W. Taber.....	1915-16



## PAST OFFICERS OF THE LODGE

FROM ITS ORGANIZATION, WITH DATE OF SERVICE, AS COMPLETE AS CAN BE OBTAINED.

Previous to 1783 the Masters were elected every six months, and appointed their Senior and Junior Wardens subject to confirmation by the Lodge.

### PAST MASTERS.

Hope, Henry,	1733, from July	Shaw, William,	1796-98
Gordon, James,	1734-35	Hayt, Lewis,	1799
Hamilton, Frederick,	1734-35	Hunt, Samuel W.	1801
McLean, Robert,	1736	Bell, Shubael.	1802-5, 1809
Tomlinson, Robert,	1736	Oliver, Francis J.	1806-8
Oxnard, Thomas,	1737	Baker, John	1810
Hallowell, Benjamin,	1738-39	Hammatt, John B.	1811
McDaniel, Hugh,	1739-40	Dickson, James A.	1812, 1818, 1829
Forbes, James,	1741-42	Dixwell, John,	1813-16
Bethune, Nathaniel,	1742-43	Nichols, Charles C.	1817
Jenkins, Robert,	1743-44	Leverett, William A.	1819
Kilby, Thomas,	1745	White, Ferdinand E.	
Box, John,	1746		1820-22, 1827, 1831, 1846-47
Aston, Thomas,	1747	Eveleth, Joseph,	1823-26
Pue, Jonathan,	1748	Roberts, Augustus W.	1828
Rowe, John,	1749	Walter, Lynde M.	1830
Coffin, William,	1750	Eveleth, Samuel,	1832-33
Brockwell, Rev. Charles,	1751	Phelps, Abel,	1834-35
Bayard, Belthazar,	1752	Hews, John,	1836
Leddel, Henry	1753	Harwood, Daniel,	1837-38, 1848-50
Gridley, Jeremiah,	1754	Flint, John,	1839-40
Ewing, John,	1755	Hamilton, Rev. Luther,	1841
Williams, Robert,	1756	Oakes, George L.	1842-43
Gridley, Richard,	1757	Pickman, C. Gayton,	1844-45
Leverett, John,	1758	Robbins, Charles,	1851
Savage, Abraham,	1760, 1762-68	Martin, William C.	1852-54
Gardner, Joseph,	1761	Walker, Clement A.	1855
Joy, John,	1769-71	Thornton, Solon,	1856-57, 1861
Knight, Thomas,	1772-73	Marshall, Wyzeman,	1858-60
Patten, Nathaniel,	1775-81	Tarbell, Luther L.	1862
Dunn, Samuel,	1783-84, 1791-94	Fox, James A.	1863-64
Dennie, Thomas,	1795, 1800	Emmons, Theodore H.	1865

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Kent, William H.	1866	Tower, Benjamin L. M.	1890-91
Pickett, James B.	1867-68	Bliss, Frederic W.	1892-93
Meston, Lyman B.	1869	Wetherald, James T.	1894-95
Mills, James.	1870-71	Carrie, William A.	1896-97
Pierce, William F.	1872-74	Talbot, Edmund H.	1898-99
Thomes, William H.	1875-76	Root, Albert B.	1900-01
Comee, Frederick T.	1877-78	Thayer, Frank W.	1902-03
Munroe, Martin A.	1879-80	Heath, William S.	1904-05
Shepard, Harvey N.	1881-82	Montague, David T.	1906-07
Clifford, Samuel W., Jr.	1883-84	Roberts, Leonard G.	1908-09
Davis, H. Alric,	1885	Brand, Frederick J.	1910
Jacobs, J. Arthur,	1886	Hurll, John C.	1911-12
North, John H.	1887	Fogg, Frederick S.	1913-14
Morse, Godfrey,	1888	Taber, Walter F. W.	1915-16
King, George A.	1889		

## SENIORS WARDENS

Hamilton, Frederick,	1733	Calef, Samuel,	1753
McDaniel, Hugh,	1736	Ewing, John,	1753
Walker, Thomas,	1738-39	Gardner, Robert,	1754
Hutchinson, John,	1739	Price, Ezekiel,	1754
Waghorn, John,	1740	Jenkins, John,	1757
Deblois, Stephen,	1740, 1755-56	McNeil, Archibald,	1758
Jenkins, Robert,	1741	Quincy, Edmund,	1760
Phillips, Caleb,	1741	Mann, Joseph,	1762-63
Rowe, John,	1742	Wheelwright, Job,	1765
Box, John,	1742	Loring, Benjamin,	1767-68
Kilby, Thomas,	1743	Hickling, William,	1769
Charles, Robert,	1743	Fleet, Thomas,	1770
Withered, Henry,	1744	Knight, Thomas,	1771
Audibert, Philip,	1744	Gooch, William,	1772
Aston, Thomas,	1745	Patten, Nathaniel,	1773
Pue, Jonathan,	1745	Hewes, Shubael,	1775
Coffin, William,	1746	Dennie, Thomas,	1783, 1791-94
Gruchy, Thomas J.	1746	Coolidge, Joseph,	1784
Pelham Peter,	1747	Shaw, William,	1795
Colson, John,	1747	Windship, Amos,	1796-97
McKenzie, Andrew,	1748	Hayt, Lewis,	1798
Day, James,	1748	Hunt, Samuel W.	1799-1800
Williams, Robert,	1749	Bell, Shubael,	1801, 1818
Dwight, John,	1749	Blake, George,	1802-3
Bayard, Belthazar,	1750	Alline, William,	1804-5
Oliver, Andrew,	1750	Nye, Samuel,	1806-8
Leddel, Henry,	1751	Baker, John,	1809
Leverett, John,	1751	Hammatt, John B.	1810
Gooking, Daniel,	1752	Dickson, James A.	1811, 1814-15
Swift, Samuel,	1752	Dixwell, John,	1812

Dana, Nathaniel,	1813	Pickett, James B.	1866
Nichols, Charles C.	1816	Meston, Lyman B.	1867-68
Leverett, William A.	1817	Mills, James,	1869
White, Ferdinand E.	1819, 1829	Peirce, William F.	1870-71
Amee, Jacob,	1820-22	Thomes, William H.	1872-74
Eveleth, Samuel,	1823-25, 1846	Peirce, Joseph M., Jr.	1875
Farrar, Simon,	1826	Comee, Frederick T.	1876
Roberts, Augustus W.	1827	Munroe, Martin A.	1877-78
Spring, Charles A.	1828	Clifford, Samuel W., Jr.	1879-80
Hillard, William, Jr.	1830	Davis, H. Alric,	1881-84
Eveleth, Joseph,	1831	Jacobs, J. Arthur,	1885
Phelps, Abel,	1832-33	North, John H.	1886
Eldridge, Edward,	1834-36	Morse, Godfrey,	1887
Flint, John,	1837-38	King, George A.	1888
Lewis, Winslow, Jr.	1839, 1843-44	Tower, Benjamin L. M.	1889
Hamilton, Rev. Luther,	1840	Bliss, Frederic W.	1890-91
Oakes, George L.	1841	Wetherald, James T.	1892-93
Whiting, Calvin,	1842	Carrie, William A.	1894-95
Raymond, Freeman C.	1845	Talbot, Edmund H.	1896-97
Robbins, Charles,	1847-49	Root, Albert B.	1898-99
Crossett, Robert W.	1850, 1852-53	Thayer, Frank W.	1900-01
Hall, John K.	1851	Heath, William S.	1902-03
Walker, Clement A.	1854	Montague, David T.	1904-05
Thornton, Solon,	1855, 1860	Roberts, Leonard G.	1906-07
Thaxter, Duncan McB.	1856	Brand, Frederic J.	1908-09
Marshall, Wyzeman,	1857	Hurll, John C.	1910
Shepard, Isaac F.	1858-59	Hendricks, Walter L.	1911-12
Fox, James A.	1861	Taber, Walter F. W.	1913-14
Emmons, Theodore H.	1862-64	Whitney, Chester C.	1915-16
Kent, William H.	1865		

## JUNIOR WARDENS

Gordon, James,	1733	Coffin, William,	1745, 1750
Osborn, John,	1736	Gruchy, Thomas J.	1746
Hutchinson, John,	1738-39	Pelham, Peter,	1746
Waghorn, John,	1739	Colson, John,	1747
Farrell, John,	1740	Waterhouse, Samuel,	1747
Jenkins, Robert,	1740	Day, James,	1748
Phillips, Caleb,	1741	Williams, Robert,	1748
Rowe, John,	1741	Dwight, John,	1749
Box, John,	1742	Bayard, Belthazar,	1749
Kilby, Thomas,	1742	Leddel, Henry,	1750
Charles, Robert,	1743	Oliver, Andrew,	1750
Withered, Henry,	1743	Leverett, John,	1751
Aston, Thomas,	1744	Gooking, Daniel,	1751
Audibert, Philip,	1744	Tyler, Daniel N.	1752
Pue, Jonathan,	1745	Calef, Samuel,	1752

Erving, John,	1753	Raymond, Freeman C.	1844
Gardner, Robert,	1753	Cobb, J. James.	1845
Price, Ezekiel.	1754	Robbins, Charles,	1846
Stowe, William,	1754	Bramhall, William,	1847
McNeil, Archibald,	1757	Rice, Lewis,	1848-49
Joy, John,	1762-63	Hall, John K.	1850
Hickling, William,	1767-68	Whitcomb, Oliver,	1851-53
Fleet, Thomas,	1769	Thornton, Solon,	1854
Knight, Thomas,	1770	Thaxter, Duncan McB.	1855
Gooch, William,	1771	Philbrick, John L.	1856
McDaniel, Jacob,	1772	Shepard, Isaac F.	1857
Hewes, Shubael,	1773	Cook, Justin E.	1858
Russell, Joseph,	1775	McCartney, William H.	1859
Shaw, William,	1783, 1791-94	Fox, James A.	1860
Gridley, Samuel,	1784	Tarbell, Luther L.	1861
Windship, Amos,	1795	White, Edward A.	1862-64
Hayt, Lewis,	1796-97	Pickett, James B.	1865
Hunt, Samuel W.	1798	Meston, Lyman B.	1866
Bell, Shubael,	1799, 1800, 1814-15	Mills, James,	1867-68
Blake, George,	1801	Peirce, William F.	1869
Alline, William,	1802-3	Long, Edward J.	1870-71
Shaw, Robert G.	1804-5	Peirce, Joseph N., Jr.,	1872-74
Whitman, Davis,	1806	Comee, Frederick T.	1875
Baker, John,	1807-8, 1818	Munroe, Martin A.	1876
Hammatt, John B.	1809	Clifford, Sam'l W., Jr.	1877-78
Dickson, James A.	1810	Shepard, Harvey N.	1879-80
Dixwell, John,	1811	Jacobs, J. Arthur,	1881-84
Dana, Nathaniel,	1812	North, John H.	1885
Gragg, Samuel,	1813	Morse, Godfrey,	1886
Leverett, William A.	1816	King, George A.	1887
Hewes, William G.	1817	Tower, Benjamin L. M.	1888
Amee, Jacob,	1819	Bliss, Frederic W.	1889
Eveleth, Joseph,	1820-22, 1829	Wetherald, James T.	1890-91
Barrell, Samuel B.	1823	Whitman, Albert L.	1892
Buckingham, Joseph T.	1824-25	Carrie, William A.	1893
Bayley, Richard W.	1826	Talbot, Edmund H.	1894-95
Hews, John,	1827	Root, Albert B.	1896-97
Leverett, Frederick P.	1828	Thayer, Frank W.	1898-99
Phelps, Abel,	1830	Heath, William S.	1900-01
Walter, Lynde M.	1831	French, Winslow B.	1902
Browne, J. Vincent,	1832-33	Montague, David T.	1903
Crosby, Sumner,	1834-35	Roberts, Leonard G.	1904-05
Harwood, Daniel,	1836	Brand, Frederick J.	1906-07
Lewis, Winslow, Jr.	1837-38, 1842	Hurl, John C.	1908-09
Hamilton, Rev. Luther,	1839	Hendricks, Walter L.	1910
Oakes, George L.	1840	Fogg, Frederick S.	1911-12
Whiting, Calvin,	1841	Whitney, Chester C.	1913-14
Davis, Elijah M.	1843	Willis, Guy C.	1915-16



## TREASURERS

Onxard, Thomas,	1738-39	Baker, John,	1812
Walker, Thomas	1740	Dickson, James A.	1813
Hallowell, Benjamin,	1741	Tyler, John,	1814-15
McDaniel, Hugh,	1742-43	Baldwin, Luke,	1816-22
Jenkins, Robert	1744-45	Bullard, Asa	1823
Box, John,	1746	Kennedy, John,	1824-26
Aston, Thomas,	1747-49	Millett, Abraham, Jr.	1827-29
Rowe, John,	1750	Williams, Charles,	1830-36
Coffin, William,	1751-52	Amee, Jacob,	1837-43
Bayard, Belthazar,	1753	Browne, J. Vincent,	1844-45
Leddel, Henry,	1754	Raymond, Freeman C.	1846-54
Russell, Joseph,	1767-68	Hall, John K.	1855-58
Mackay, Mungo,	1791-95	Lyford, Thomas,	1859-65
Dennie, Thomas,	1796-99, 1801	White, Edward A.	1866-91
Shaw, Robert G.	1802-03	Brown, Frederic L.	1892-99
Burley, Thomas,	1804-09	Talbot, Edmund H.	1900-14
Bell, Shubael,	1810-11	Fogg, Frederick S.	1915-

## SECRETARIES

Swan, Eben,	1738-39	Abbott, Samuel,	1813-16
Pelham, Peter,	1740-44	Huntington, Benjamin,	1817-18
Pelham, Charles,	1745-54	Simonds, Joshua,	1819-20
Jackson, Benjamin,	1768	Kneeland, Samuel,	1821-22
Hutchins, Matthew,	1770	Payson, Thomas,	1823-27
Carter, James,	1780	Wilson, James,	1828
Farrington, Thomas,	1783-91	Eveleth, Samuel,	1829
Laughton, Joseph,	1784	Browne, J. Vincent,	1830-31
Hunt, Samuel W.	1792-96	Haskell, Noah D.	1836-41
Bell, Shubael,	1797-98	Williams, Charles,	1842
Alline, William,	1799-1801	Whiting, Calvin,	1843-57
Morrill, William,	1802-06	Weston, Samuel C.	1858-61
Hammatt, John B.	1807-8, 1832-35	Thornton, Solon,	1862-71
Warland, Owen,	1809	Allen, James W.	1872-1901
Edwards, Charles,	1810-12	Copeland, Frank M.	1902-

## CHAPLAINS

Haskell, Rev. Samuel,	1803	Emery, Bro. Thomas J.	1881
Eaton, Rev. Asa,	1804-11	Blanchard, Rev. Henry	1882
Felch, Rev. Cheever,	1818-21	Munroe, Rev. William H.	1885-92
Wells, Rev. E. M. P.		Searing, Rev. S. Stanley,	1894-1905
	1836-43, 1848-54, 1857-78	Johnson, Rev. Tillman B.	1906-07
Searle, Rev. Addison,	1844-47	Powell, Rev. Webster H.	1908-15
Burrill, Rev. John T.	1855-56	Tufts, Rev. William M.	1916-
Winkley, Rev. Samuel H.	1879-80, 1883-84		

ASSISTANT CHAPLAINS

Hepworth, Rev. George H.	1859-60	Phinney, Rev. George A.	1906-11
Savage, Rev. Minot J.	1876-77	Powell, Rev. Webster H.	1906-07
Johnson, Rev. Tillman B.	1905	Colson, Rev. George W.	1909-

MARSHALS

May, John,	1804-5	Ainsworth, Fred S.	1848
Coolidge, Cornelius,	1806-7	Ely, Alfred B.	1849-50
Dickson, James A.	1808	Stacy, William R.	1851
Paine, Charles,	1809	Tucker, Lyman,	1852-53
Badlam, Stephen,	1810	Whitcomb, Oliver,	1854-56
Clark, John P.	1811	Rice, Charles B.	1857
Abbott, Samuel,	1812	Brown, Edwin L.	1858
Worrell, John,	1813	Thomes, William H.	1859-61
Tappan, Lewis,	1814	Kent, William H.	1862
Hewes, William G.	1815	Johnson, John C.	1863-64
Gibbs, Alexander H.	1816	Jackman, Charles G.	1865-66
Story, Horace C.	1817	Moulton, William U.	1867-69
Eveleth, Joseph,	1818-19	Lyon, George,	1870
Huntington, Benjamin,	1820-21	Ingalls, William,	1871
Barrell, Samuel B.	1822	Dodd, George D.	1872-74
Buckingham, Joseph T.	1823	Gardner, J. Warren,	1875
White, Ferdinand E.	1824-25	Young, Louis W.	1876
Priest, Joel,	1826-28	Otis, Samuel A.	1877-85
Walter, Lynde M.	1829	Papanti, Lorenzo F.	1886-87
Eveleth, Samuel,	1830-31, 1839	Weale, Samuel M.	1888-90
Foster, James	1832-33	Pitman, Henry W.	1891-93
Ingraham, Joseph W.	1834-37	Aldrich, Abbott L.	1894-96, 1898-99
Phelps, Abel,	1838	Montague, David T.	1897
Lewis, Winslow, Jr.	1840, 1845-47	Copeland, Frank M.	1900-01
Flint, John,	1841-43	Root, Albert B.	1902-09
Walker, Joel H.	1844	Roberts, Leonard G.	1910-

SENIOR DEACONS

The office of deacon was adopted at the Annual Meeting, Dec. 2, 1800.

Campbell, James,	1801	Worrell, John,	1811
Hammatt, John B.	1802, 1814, 1831	Gragg, Samuel,	1812
Burley, Thomas,	1803	Nye, Seth W.	1813
Russell, John,	1804	Nichols, Charles C.	1815, 1823
Whitman, Davis,	1805	Amee, Jacob,	1816
Kennedy, John,	1806	White, Ferdinand E.	1817-18
Hale, Eliphalet,	1807-8	Buckingham, Joseph T.	1819
Dickson, James A.	1809	Eveleth, Samuel,	1820-22, 1841
Dixwell, John,	1810	Farrar, Simon	1824-25

Roberts, Augustus W.	1826	Mills, James,	1866
Spring, Charles A.	1827	Peirce, William F.	1867-68
Phelps, Abel,	1828	Bowen, Seranus,	1869
Bayley, Richard W.	1829	Peirce, Joseph N., Jr.	1870-71
Morrill, James, 2d,	1830	Comee, Frederick T.	1872-74
Eveleth, Joseph,	1832	Munroe, Martin A.	1875
Eldridge, Edward,	1833	Clifford, Samuel W., Jr.	1876
Conant, Thaddeus,	1834	Shepard, Harvey N.	1877-78
Dickson, Shadrach,	1835	Young, Louis W.	1879
Flint, John,	1836	Davis, H. Alric,	1880
Williams, Charles,	1837	North, John H.	1881-84
Hamilton, Rev. Luther,	1838	King, George A.	1885-86
Crosby, Sumner,	1839	Tower, Benjamin L. M.	1887
Crosby, Alonzo,	1840	Bliss, Frederic W.	1888
Davis, Elijah M.	1842	Wetherald, James T.	1889
Bramhall, William,	1843	Carrie, William A.	1890-91
Cobb, J. James,	1844	Talbot, Edmund H.	1892-93
Parker, William O.	1845	Root, Albert B.	1894-95
Bartlett, Frederick K.	1846-47	Thayer, Frank W.	1896-97
Crossett, Rob't W.	1848-49, 1851	Heath, William S.	1898-99
Swett, Hubbard W.	1850	French, Winslow B.	1900-01
Thornton, Solon,	1852-54	Montague, David T.	1902
Philbrick, John L.	1855	Roberts, Leonard G.	1903
Dean, Benjamin,	1856	Brand, Frederick J.	1904-05
Cook, Justin E.	1857	Hurl, John C.	1906-07
McCartney, William H.	1858	Perkins, Morrill L.	1908
Fox, James A.	1859	Hendricks, Walter L.	1909
Tarbell, Luther L.	1860	Fogg, Frederick S.	1910
Emmons, Theodore H.	1861	Taber, Walter F. W.	1911-12
Powers, Charles E.	1862	Cook, Frank E.	1913
Kent, William H.	1863-64	Willis, Guy C.	1914
Meston, Lyman B.	1865	Sleeper, Dwight W.	1915-1916

## JUNIOR DEACONS

Deverell, John,	1801	Huntington, Benjamin,	1816
Burley, Thomas,	1802	Trevett, Samuel R.	1817-18
Russell, John,	1803	Richardson, James B.	1819
Whitman, Davis,	1804	Morrill, James, Jr.	1820-22
Nye, Samuel,	1805	Copeland, Wm. M. H.	1823-25
Baker, John,	1806	Hewes, John,	1826
Coolidge, Samuel F.	1807-8	Phelps, Abel,	1827, 1829
Harris, John,	1809	Crosby, Sumner,	1828, 1833
Everett, David,	1810	Philpot, William,	1830-32
Gragg, Samuel,	1811	Dickson, Shadrach,	1834
Nye, Seth W.	1812	Harwood, Daniel,	1835
Nichols, Charles C.	1813-14	Lewis, Winslow, Jr.	1836, 1841
Leverett, William A.	1815	Elliot, Ephraim L.	1837

Crosby, Alonzo,	1838-39	Davis, H. Alric,	1879
Hammatt, John B.	1840	Jacobs, J. Arthur,	1880
Cobb, J. James,	1842-43	Gleason, Haskell W.	1881
Lord, John H.	1844-45	Jacobs, Edward F.	1882-84
Nelson, Henry W.	1846	Fenno, Kimball J.	1885
Gove, Rodney,	1847	Tower, Benjamin L. M.	1886
Wakefield, Henry D.	1848	Whitman, Albert L.	1887
Hall, John K.	1849	Wetherald, James T.	1888
Whitcomb, Oliver,	1850	Carrie, William A.	1889
Peirce, Jonathan,	1851	Talbot, Edmund H.	1890-91
Barker, Richard M.	1852-53	Root, Albert B.	1892-93
Bruce, Jephtha C.	1854	Woodruff, Frederic O.	1894
Dean, Benjamin,	1855	Thayer, Frank W.	1895
Gay, Eben F.	1856	Heath, William S.	1896-97
Nicholson, William C.	1857-59	French, Winslow B.	1898-99
Emmons, Theodore H.	1860	Montague, David T.	1900-01
White, Edward A.	1861	Roberts, Leonard G.	1902
Jackman, Charles G.	1862	Brand, Frederick J.	1903
Stetson, Sidney A.	1863-64	Hurl, John C.	1904-05
Mills, James,	1865	Perkins, Morrill L.	1906-07
Woodbury, Nathaniel A.	1866	Hendricks, Walter L.	1908
Bowen, Seranus,	1867-68	Fogg, Frederick S.	1909
Peirce, Joseph N., Jr.	1869	Taber, Walter F. W.	1910
Dodd, George D.	1870-71	Whitney, Chester C.	1911-12
Munroe, Martin A.	1872-74	Willis, Guy C.	1913
Clifford, Samuel W., Jr.	1875	Sleeper, Dwight W.	1914
Disbrow, Robert,	1876	Palmer, Edward H.	1915
Young, Louis W.	1877-78	Claghorn, David M.	1916

## STEWARDS

Williams, William,	1784	Loring, William,	1805-7
Fabre, Peter,	1784	Powell, Joseph,	1806-7
Deverell, John,	1794-95	Bartlett, Nathaniel H.	1808-9
Thomas, Joshua,	1794-97	Harris, John,	1808
Jarvis, William,	1796	Loring, William,	1809
Dix, William,	1797	Fitch, Amos,	1810
Blake, George,	1798	Carrera, John A.	1810
Fobes, Thomas,	1798	Penniman, John R.	1811
Niles, Eben,	1799-1800	Hoyt, Benjamin,	1811
Johnson, Nathaniel,	1799	Thorp, Thomas,	1812-14
Whitman, Davis,	1801	Mayo, Seth,	1812
Hammatt, John B.	1801, 1815, 1837	Tyler, John,	1813
Russell, John,	1802	English, William,	1813
Hale, Eliphalet,	1802-4	Leverett, William A.	1814
May, John,	1803	Amee, Jacob,	1814-15
Nye, Joseph,	1804	Morgan, Littleton T.	1815
Briggs, Seth,	1805	Simonds, Joshua,	1816-18



Hewes, William G.	1816	Whitcomb, Arnold C.	1855
White, Ferdinand E.	1816	Cook, Justin E.	1856
Bliss, Alexander,	1817	Nicholson, William C.	1856
Richardson, James B.	1817	Child, George H.	1857
Hatchman, John,	1818, 1821-22	Newcomb, Solomon,	1857-59
Eveleth, Samuel,	1818-19	Lyford, Henry A.	1858
Kneeland, Samuel,	1819-20	Pinkerton, Thomas H.	1859
Pickman, C. Gayton,	1820	Stetson, Sidney A.	1860
Battelle, Thomas,	1821-22	Plimpton, Frederick S.	1860-61
Priest, Joel,	1823-25	Powers, Charles E.	1861
Thwing, Supply C.	1823	Jarvis, John F.	1862
Muzzy, Benjamin,	1824-25	Wilbur, Joshua G.	1862
Phelps, Abel,	1826, 1831	Pickett, James B.	1863-64
Foster, James,	1826, 1831	Mills, James,	1863-64
Crosby, Sumner,	1827, 1838	Knapp, George B.	1865
Eldridge, Gideon,	1827-28	Woodbury, Nathaniel A.	1865
Browne, J. Vincent,	1828	Riley, James M.	1866
Priest, Joel,	1829	Allen, James W.	1866-68
Hilliard, William, Jr.	1829	Peirce, Joseph N., Jr.	1867-68
Conant, Thaddeus,	1832-33	Long, Edward J.	1869
Staples, John,	1832, 1842	Dodd, George D.	1869
Dickson, Shadrach,	1833	Copeland, Edward,	1870
Morrill, James,	1834-35	Fuller, Charles,	1870-71
Crosby, Alonzo,	1834-35	Munroe, Martin A.	1871
Tucker, Joshua,	1837-40, 1842	Cleaves, Joshua,	1872
Hoyt, Aaron B.	1839-40	Clifford, Samuel W., Jr.	1872-74
Harwood, Daniel,	1841	Disbrow, Robert,	1873-75
Williams, Charles,	1841	Shepard, Harvey N.	1875-76
Walker, Joel H.	1843	Davis, H. Alric,	1876-78
Higgins, Peter,	1843	Stowell, Eugene A.	1877
Parker, William O.	1844	Jacobs, J. Arthur,	1878-79
Nelson, Henry W.	1844-45	Gleason, Haskell W.	1879-80
Robbins, Charles,	1845	Park, Francis E.	1880
Gove, Rodney,	1846	Jacobs, Edward F.	1881
Rice, Lewis,	1846-47	Thomes, William A.	1881
Wakefield, Henry D.	1847	Rawson, Elbridge,	1882-84
Hall, John K.	1848	Knowlton, Asa S.	1882-84
Gardner, Francis,	1848	Marden, Edward E.	1885
Whitcomb, Oliver,	1849	Dunham, Harrison,	1885
Barker, Richard M.	1849	Whitman, Albert L.	1886
Holman, Gilman C.	1850	Atwood, Harrison H.	1886-87
Pierce, Jonathan,	1850	Wetherald, James T.	1887
Johnson, John C.	1851	Carrie, William A.	1888
Tucker, Lyman,	1851	Woodruff, Frederic O.	1888, 90
Walker, Clement A.,	1852-53	Aldrich, Abbott L.	1889, '92-93
Burnett, Joseph,	1852-53	Talbot, Edmund H.	1889
Pearce, William C.	1854	Root, Albert B.	1890-91
Philbrick, John L.	1854	Thayer, Frank W.	1891-94
Gay, Eben F.	1855	Heath, William S.	1894-95

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Woods, Walter H.	1895-97	Fairchild, John C.	1906-7
French, Winslow B.	1896-97	Fogg, Frederick S.	1908-09
Montague, David T.	1898-99	Sleeper, George L.	1908
Child, Samuel M.	1898-99	Cook, Frederick E.	1910-12
Roberts, Leonard G.	1900-01	Willis, Guy C.	1911-12
Brand, Frederick J.	1901-03	Sleeper, Dwight W.	1913
Hurl, John C.	1902-03	Palmer, Edward H.	1913-1914
Davenport, Edward M.	1903	Wood, W. Harry	1914-15
Perkins, Morrill J.	1904-5	Myers, John D. H.	1915-16
Hendricks, Walter L.	1905-7	Claghorn, David M.	1916



**INITIATES OF SAINT JOHN'S LODGE**





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Names of those receiving their Degrees with no record of Membership, the early records not furnishing the desired information.

Previous to Jan. 29, 1794, the Master Mason degree was not conferred by the Lodge.

Name	Date.
Amil, John.....	April 27, 1743
Aberry, Joseph.....	Jan. 14, 1746
Abercrombie, James.....	Feb. 10, 1747
Anderson, Robert.....	Aug. 23, 1749
Appy, John.....	Jan. 31, 1757
Alline, Benjamin.....	May 13, 1797
*Abbott, Edward.....	Oct. 31, 1800
Adams, Seth.....	June 3, 1801
Anderson, Archibald.....	April 3, 1804
Ames, John.....	March 8, 1806
Appleton, Ebenezer.....	June 3, 1806
Ariaza, Manuel.....	Sept. 2, 1815
Alden, Rev. Timothy.....	Nov. 9, 1815
*Aide, John W.....	July 7, 1818
Armstrong, James.....	Feb. 12, 1819
Andrews, Joseph S.....	Dec. 3, 1822
Archibald, Henry.....	Dec. 25, 1823
Adams, Hiram.....	May 4, 1824
Adams, Edwin.....	Aug. 18, 1826
Allen, Ezra.....	Dec. 4, 1827
Abel, Rev. Townsend B.....	June 5, 1843
Appleton, Charles H.....	May 13, 1844
Apollonio, Nicholas A.....	Dec. 21, 1854
Albree, John, Jr.....	May 29, 1855
Allen, Augustus O.....	Feb. 19, 1857
Brenton, Benjamin.....	July 30, 1733
Barrows, Benjamin.....	Jan. 13, 1735
Bladwell, Charles.....	March 24, 1736
Buckley, Peter.....	Nov. 9, 1737
Burnett, James.....	Aug. 11, 1742
Belviel, Mr.....	Dec. 26, 1744

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Name	Date
Brimsdon, Benjamin.....	March 12, 1745
Byles, Daniel.....	July 1, 1745
Bradford, John.....	Nov. 12, 1746
Bogle, Thomas.....	Nov. 27, 1747
Binney, Paul.....	Feb. 24, 1747
Buttler, Michael.....	July 27, 1748
Baulos, Francis.....	Nov. 17, 1748
Badger, Benjamin.....	Oct. 11, 1749
Bennett, John.....	Oct. 11, 1749
Bruce, James.....	Nov. 8, 1749
Beker, Martin.....	Dec. 22, 1749
Brown, John.....	Jan. 10, 1749
Briggs, George.....	April 24, 1754
Barnard, ———.....	Jan. 1, 1762
Blodget, Samuel.....	April 2, 1762
Brown, Thomas.....	May 3, 1762
Blizard, Conway.....	April 5, 1765
Bryant, John.....	March 7, 1766
Bradley, Samuel.....	March 7, 1766
Barre, John.....	Nov. 6, 1767
Billings, Richard.....	April 1, 1768
Brown, Enoch.....	April 19, 1780
Bradden, Richard.....	March 25, 1795
*Beale, Peter.....	Feb. 9, 1797
Briggs, Timothy.....	May 13, 1797
*Burk, John.....	Feb. 22, 1797
Bond, Jonathan.....	June 6, 1798
Bridge, Samuel.....	May 7, 1800
*Beck, Daniel.....	Dec. 2, 1800
*Bradley, Josiah.....	March 2, 1802
*Blake, Martin.....	March 19, 1805
Burling, Samuel.....	Jan. 11, 1806
Bartlett, John.....	March 4, 1806
*Boynton, Abel.....	Nov. 4, 1806
Baker, James.....	April 7, 1807
Belcher, William.....	Nov. 3, 1807
Brooks, Alexander.....	Feb. 6, 1808
Brooks, Thomas.....	Aug. 5, 1808
Brooks, James.....	Oct. 8, 1808
Butters, Benjamin.....	Jan. 22, 1813
Burnett, Henry.....	Dec. 3, 1816
Barnum, Ephraim K.....	Jan. 20, 1818
Britton, Thomas.....	April 7, 1818
Ball, Russell.....	Sept. 14, 1818
Beckford, Daniel.....	June 2, 1818
Bradlee, John C.....	Dec. 1, 1818

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Name	Date
Bartlett, Nathaniel G.....	March 2, 1819
Bradford, Robert, Jr.....	May 4, 1819
Benham, Timothy G.....	Nov. 2, 1819
Bartlett, William.....	Sept. 11, 1820
Blaidsell, Andrew P.....	Nov. 7, 1820
Browne, Valentine O. P.....	Oct. 30, 1821
Bard, Abraham G.....	Nov. 21, 1821
Barnard, John.....	Jan. 1, 1822
*Brown, Jonathan.....	April 12, 1822
Billings, Alpheus C.....	Dec. 3, 1822
Barnes, Edwin.....	July 15, 1824
Belcher, Daniel.....	Dec. 13, 1824
Babbitt, Alvan W.....	March 1, 1825
Brito, Bernardino Peveira de.....	Sept. 16, 1825
Brickett, Edwin.....	Nov. 21, 1825
Baxter, George.....	Feb. 14, 1826
Blanchard, William E.....	March 14, 1826
Breda, Phillipe.....	Feb. 12, 1828
Broadhead, Daniel D.....	June 3, 1828
Boutell, Lewis.....	Dec. 2, 1828
Barry, Rev. William.....	Dec. 2, 1839
Belfiore, Pietro.....	March 20, 1845
Barron, James.....	Jan. 4, 1847
Blackstock, George W.....	Feb. 7, 1848
Barry, John H.....	June 5, 1848
Bidwell, John M.....	Dec. 11, 1849
Bourne, Elisha W.....	Dec. 22, 1851
Bogardus, William.....	Sept. 9, 1853
Blodgett, Hiram W. H.....	May 29, 1854
Brainard, Edward H.....	May 29, 1854
Bryant, Nathaniel C.....	May 29, 1854
Broadhead, Josiah A.....	April 7, 1856
Belton, Thomas F. M.....	June 1, 1857
Bradford, Joseph M.....	March 2, 1857
Bush, George.....	March 7, 1861
Bigelow, Milton B.....	Sept. 2, 1861
Brigham, Charles E.....	April 7, 1862
Bumstead, N. Willis.....	Sept. 13, 1862
Bishop, Granville T.....	June 5, 1865
Beaumont, Henry N.....	Feb. 5, 1866
Brewer, Frederick O.....	April 13, 1874
Bosworth, John W.....	June 6, 1881
Curvin, Samuel.....	Nov. 13, 1734
Clarke, Edward.....	June 8, 1737
Cunningham, John.....	Aug. 3, 1738

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Name	Date
Coffin, William, Jr.....	July 24, 1745
Colson, John.....	May 22, 1745
Connally, John.....	Oct. 28, 1747
Clifford, Benjamin.....	Oct. 11, 1749
Cathcart, John.....	May 9, 1750
Cook, Ephraim.....	May 23, 1750
Charteris, Capt. Harry.....	Jan. 31, 1757
Clark, Christopher.....	Nov. 6, 1767
Carnes, Edward.....	Nov. 6, 1767
Chaplin, Benjamin.....	Feb. 6, 1784
Clemons, Thomas.....	Nov. 28, 1794
Cunningham, George.....	Nov. 28, 1794
*Clark, Waters.....	Nov. 30, 1796
Cargill, William.....	Jan. 28, 1797
Cook, Orchard.....	May 13, 1797
Cooper, Elijah.....	Oct. 31, 1800
Clark, Josiah.....	Feb. 10, 1802
Clark, Fessenden.....	May 3, 1803
Cabot, Henry.....	June 3, 1806
Chavarria, Antonio E.....	Jan. 20, 1810
Campbell, William.....	Feb. 7, 1815
Cooper, John R.....	June 1, 1819
Crombie, William.....	March 14, 1820
Cheney, Joseph.....	Aug. 1, 1820
Cunningham, James.....	Nov. 5, 1822
Crehore, James.....	June 3, 1823
Chase, Job, 3d.....	Oct. 11, 1823
Copeland, Robert M.....	March 2, 1824
Conant, Joshua L.....	Sept. 6, 1825
Carvalho, Ignacio Joaquín de.....	Sept. 16, 1825
Collier, Martin.....	Oct. 2, 1843
Carruth, Charles C.....	June 9, 1843
Carroll, Charles.....	April 6, 1846
Child, Asaph B.....	Oct. 1, 1849
Chapin, Samuel A.....	Jan. 16, 1852
Crosby, Joseph B.....	Jan. 3, 1853
Cummings, Amos, Jr.....	May 1, 1854
Congden, Henry B.....	Nov. 24, 1857
Cutter, George H.....	Jan. 4, 1858
Chaffin, Henry.....	Oct. 6, 1862
Casey, James S.....	April 7, 1862
Cook, John V.....	April 25, 1864
Collins, William F.....	Feb. 15, 1864
Curtis, William H.....	Feb. 20, 1864
Collins, Michael.....	April 25, 1864
Chaffee, William R.....	April 25, 1864

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Name	Date
Cole, Joseph O.....	March 28, 1865
Copeland, Charles S.....	May 6, 1867
†Currier, William W., 2d.....	June 3, 1878
Davis, Anthony.....	Dec. 11, 1734
Diamond, George.....	March 10, 1741
Demoulin, Louis.....	March 14, 1743
DeLaboladree, Anthony.....	Aug. 14, 1745
Dure, Andrew.....	Jan. 14, 1746
DeLarue, Elias.....	Feb. 8, 1748
Doux saint, Paul.....	July 26, 1749
Downe, John.....	March 27, 1754
Demming, Charles.....	July 24, 1754
Down, Thomas.....	March 7, 1766
Dingley, Amasa.....	March 28, 1792
Dench, Lawson.....	May 8, 1800
*Dix, Clarendine.....	June 4, 1800
*Dodd, George.....	Aug. 10, 1801
Doggett, Noah.....	Jan. 4, 1803
Dyer, Joseph H.....	March 27, 1804
Doane, Samuel B.....	Jan. 6, 1806
*Doane, Elisha, Jr.....	April 2, 1805
Dodd, Timothy.....	March 24, 1810
D'Aymor, Augustino D.....	May 3, 1814
Dunn, Samuel, Jr.....	March 21, 1815
Dam, Leander.....	June 5, 1817
Dodd, Silas.....	Oct. 14, 1817
Dix, Henry E.....	April 7, 1818
Derby, Charles P.....	April 6, 1819
Doggett, Samuel.....	Aug. 3, 1819
Donnelly, Peter.....	Oct. 2, 1821
Dunn, James.....	Oct. 30, 1821
Dunbar, Peter.....	April 1, 1823
Denny, Thomas.....	Oct. 2, 1827
Defrees, Henry C.....	April 21, 1845
*Dixon, Rufus E.....	April 3, 1848
DeReynoso, Bernardo.....	June 14, 1850
Dodge, Emerson P.....	May 29, 1854
Davis, Thomas B.....	April 10, 1855
Davis, Austin.....	June 12, 1865
Dix, Henry S.....	Sept. 11, 1867
Dunn, Moncena.....	Sept. 7, 1868
Ellis, Edward.....	Nov. 9, 1743
Euing, James.....	May 10, 1749

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Name	Date
Edwards, Abraham.....	March 25, 1795
Eaton, William.....	March 1, 1803
*Eddy, Gibbs.....	April 3, 1804
Elliot, Edward.....	Jan. 1, 1822
Ellis, Samuel.....	Dec. 5, 1826
*Egan, James.....	May 1, 1843
Emmons, Samuel F.....	May 29, 1849
Eustis, Joseph M.....	Jan. 18, 1856
Emerson, B. F. E.....	Nov. 27, 1866
Eckelmann, Julius, A. B.....	Oct. 31, 1870
Evans, Robert.....	June 3, 1878
Frost, William.....	Feb. 5, 1735
Frazier, John.....	May 31, 1736
French, Alexander.....	May 11, 1737
Furney, John.....	July 23, 1740
Fuller, Jonathan.....	Oct. 25, 1748
Faulkner, Gilbert.....	Dec. 22, 1749
Furnass, John.....	July 2, 1762
Fitch, Samuel.....	Feb. 3, 1764
Forsyth, John.....	April 5, 1803
Ford, Daniel.....	May 3, 1803
*Fales, Henry.....	Jan. 15, 1805
Foster, Benjamin W.....	March 8, 1806
Foster, Hopestill.....	Jan. 6, 1807
French, Leonard.....	March 3, 1812
Folsom, John.....	May 7, 1816
Fitz, Hugh A.....	Nov. 7, 1816
Fullerton, Henry N.....	Dec. 5, 1826
Flint, Edward A.....	July 10, 1854
Foster, Charles A.....	Dec. 4, 1856
Field, Aaron D.....	April 24, 1862
Falcon, Peter E.....	March 28, 1865
Flohr, William H.....	Sept. 3, 1866
Farwell, Edwin C.....	Jan. 6, 1868
Gordon, Alexander.....	Oct. 31, 1735
Gordon, Charles.....	Oct. 31, 1735
Gofton, Webber.....	Jan. 23, 1735
Gautier, Charles.....	April 14, 1742
Gough, James.....	Jan. 23, 1744
Grayham, Archibald.....	July 27, 1747
Gorwood, Charles.....	Oct. 28, 1747
George, Sidney.....	June 22, 1748
Gorham, Joseph.....	Jan. 10, 1749
Gilman, Nathaniel.....	Feb. 11, 1749
Grey, Lewis.....	March 7, 1766

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Name	Date
Green, Bartholomew.....	March 6, 1767
Gilbert, Daniel.....	May 13, 1797
Gilbert, George.....	May 13, 1797
Gallorn, John S.....	June 1, 1802
Glover, Lewis.....	Jan. 3, 1804
Gates, Jacob, M. D.....	April 3, 1804
Gardner, Benjamin.....	May 20, 1805
Gourgas, Jacob.....	Oct. 11, 1806
Grant, Samuel.....	Dec. 2, 1806
Geddes, Frederick C.....	April 19, 1814
Green, Richard W.....	May 7, 1816
Gusmao, Francisco de Silva.....	Sept. 16, 1825
Grund, Francis J.....	April 2, 1832
Greenbank, Thomas.....	Jan. 7, 1843
Godfrey, Charles G.....	April 30, 1844
Green, Joseph D.....	Sept. 22, 1845
Gauntlett, Christopher G.....	Dec 6, 1847
Gibbs, Franklin.....	April 7, 1862
Gibson, Edward K.....	May 17, 1864
Goldthwait, George F.....	Feb. 14, 1865
Gilbert, John L.....	May 29, 1866
Gomersal, William.....	May 29, 1866
Gould, William A.....	June 3, 1867
Hinton, William.....	Jan. 14, 1735
Hill, Andrew.....	Oct. 26, 1737
Holbrook, Joseph.....	Jan. 11, 1743
Hood, Richard.....	March 13, 1744
Hewetson, John.....	July 1, 1745
Herbert, Newcomin.....	Jan. 14, 1746
Hodge, Sampson.....	Nov. 3, 1747
Hardgrove, Hugh.....	Nov. 3, 1747
Husk, John.....	Dec. 23, 1747
Hooton, Richard.....	Dec. 26, 1753
Hall, John.....	Feb. 27, 1754
Huck, Dr. Richard.....	Jan. 31, 1757
Hayes, Thomas.....	May 3, 1762
Hickling, William.....	Feb. 5, 1768
Homans, Benjamin.....	April 1, 1768
Holbrook, John.....	Nov. 26, 1794
Harris, Herman B.....	Nov. 28, 1794
Hitchcock, Apollos.....	Oct. 25, 1797
Hartshorn, Oliver.....	May 7, 1800
Healey, William.....	June 12, 1800
Hammatt, Benjamin, 3d.....	Feb. 10, 1802
Haven, Joseph.....	Jan. 3, 1804
How, Stephen.....	Feb. 5, 1805
Hewes, Thomas.....	Jan. 2, 1810



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Name	Date
Heathcote, Robert.....	April 3, 1810
Hall, Edward.....	Jan. 5, 1814
Hooker, Harlow.....	June 5, 1817
Humphries, George.....	Sept. 2, 1817
*Hide, John W.....	July 7, 1818
Hastings, Daniel.....	March 17, 1818
Hooper, Joshua J.....	March 17, 1818
Huntington, Samuel.....	March 17, 1818
Holbrook, John M.....	June 6, 1818
Hathaway, Timothy.....	March 2, 1819
Holden, Nathaniel R.....	March 2, 1819
Holbrook, Genet.....	March 14, 1820
Hickling, William.....	June 6, 1820
Huntoon, Benjamin, Rev.....	April 3, 1821
Harrington, Ephraim.....	Aug. 28, 1821
Hicks, Joseph C.....	Sept. 2, 1823
Hook, Jacob.....	June 11, 1824
Hall, Josiah R.....	Dec. 13, 1824
Hersey, Cornelius.....	Nov. 21, 1825
Hale, Stephen, Jr.....	Nov. 21, 1825
Holmes, Benjamin S.....	Oct. 11, 1826
Henry, Capt. John.....	Dec. 2, 1828
Head, Dr. J. Frazier.....	July 2, 1846
Hall, Henry H.....	March 14, 1848
Hiss, Charles E.....	Dec. 11, 1849
Hill, Joseph H.....	June 3, 1850
Heywood, Charles F.....	Sept. 14, 1852
Holden, Leonard P.....	July 11, 1853
Hiss, Joseph.....	Nov. 25, 1853
†Hammatt, John B., Jr.....	June 5, 1854
Holmes, John S.....	June 16, 1854
Huckins, D. Montgomery.....	April 10, 1855
Hammatt, Andrew S.....	April 7, 1856
Hooton, John J.....	March 2, 1857
Haynes, William F.....	Nov. 24, 1857
Hodgate, Charles.....	June 7, 1859
Harmon, Frederick D.....	March 4, 1861
Hickie, Henry.....	Oct. 9, 1861
Harding, Charles P.....	April 4, 1864
Higgins, Daniel.....	April 4, 1864
Hall, John.....	Feb. 19, 1866
Howard, Fred L.....	Nov. 6, 1871
Irish, Bagwell.....	Jan. 27, 1741
Ives, Benjamin.....	Aug. 10, 1743
Irwin, Andrew.....	Jan. 14, 1746

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Name	Date
James, John.....	June 22, 1748
Jackson, Joseph.....	April 11, 1753
Jennings, Levi.....	May 3, 1762
Jackson, William.....	Nov. 5, 1762
Jackson, James.....	Dec. 3, 1762
Jones, Robert.....	Feb. 5, 1805
Johnson, Rev. ———	June 10, 1812
Jones, Geo. Goldsburg.....	Oct. 17, 1812
Jameson, Thomas.....	Jan. 7, 1817
Jordan, Caleb D.....	Nov. 2, 1819
Jones, Thomas.....	Dec. 22, 1819
Jennings, Josiah.....	Dec. 4, 1821
Jordan, Thomas.....	March 5, 1822
Jarvis, Charles.....	June -19, 1823
Kenson, Robert.....	Sept. 4, 1733
King, Seth.....	Dec. 30, 1796
*Kelley, Gad.....	Dec. 28, 1796
*Kidder, Ephraim.....	Nov. 29, 1797
*Kilner, John.....	May 6, 1817
Kennison, William W.....	July 3, 1821
Kendall, Enoch.....	July 1, 1823
Kelly, Anthony.....	Oct. 7, 1823
Knight, Charles.....	June 5, 1827
Kingman, Warner E.....	April 4, 1853
Kimberly, Louis A., Rear Admiral U. S. N.....	March 2, 1887
Keith, Charles A.....	Feb. 20, 1854
King, Henry W.....	April 5, 1860
Lawrence, Henry.....	June 28, 1742
Levins, Samuel.....	Jan. 13, 1747
Lennox, David.....	July 24, 1754
Lutwich, Edward.....	June 3, 1763
*Lazell, Nathan.....	Feb. 16, 1797
Lovett, William.....	May 5, 1801
*Lewis, John.....	Oct. 4, 1806
Larkin, Thomas O.....	Oct. 11, 1806
*Lee, Ebenezer.....	May 10, 1806
*Litton, Daniel.....	Jan. 5, 1808
Lopez, Francisco D.....	Feb. 6, 1814
†Lloyd, Richard.....	Oct. 14, 1817
Leonard, James.....	Feb. 12, 1819
Leeds, Henry M.....	March 22, 1825
Lane, Capt. Gideon.....	April 5, 1825
Levy, Solomon.....	May 23, 1825

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Name	Date
Leonard, Francis D.....	Jan. 10, 1826
Lewis, Frederick S.....	March 20, 1845
Lee, Alfred.....	Nov. 21, 1848
Lothrop, John.....	June 12, 1851
Lawrence, T. Bigelow.....	June 30, 1862
Ladd, George V.....	Nov. 2, 1868
Leach, John B.....	April 7, 1873
McKnight, Thomas.....	Jan. 21, 1735
Morris, John.....	May 31, 1736
Mackintosh, Shaw.....	Aug. 11, 1736
Moncrieff, Thomas.....	Aug. 23, 1738
McDonnel, Timothy.....	Dec. 12, 1738
Maul, William.....	Aug. 12, 1741
Murray, Joseph.....	April 27, 1743
Marquand, Daniel.....	April 10, 1745
Merchant, William.....	Dec. 24, 1745
McKennen, Robert.....	Oct. 13, 1746
McKay, Enos.....	Jan. 13, 1747
Montgomery, Patrick.....	Jan. 27, 1747
McTaggart, Peter.....	Feb. 8, 1748
Massey, Samuel.....	July 26, 1749
Maney, William.....	Dec. 26, 1753
McAdams, Capt. George.....	Jan. 31, 1757
Melville, John.....	Jan. 31, 1757
Marston, John.....	Feb. 5, 1768
Moras, _____.....	Feb. 4, 1782
Moor, E.....	Feb. 4, 1782
Moor, Artemas.....	Jan. 15, 1783
Mackay, William.....	March 27, 1793
Motley, Richard.....	Oct. 31, 1800
Meij, Gottlieb.....	Feb. 10, 1802
Moore, Abel.....	May 20, 1805
Magee, James.....	Jan. 6, 1807
Myers, John.....	Nov. 3, 1807
Martin, Peter.....	Aug. 17, 1809
Mallory, Daniel.....	Sept. 3, 1811
Melcher, Levi.....	June 10, 1812
Mansfield, Isaac.....	Dec. 6, 1814
Meriton, William.....	March 24, 1815
Malcom, Silas.....	Jan. 2, 1816
Melander, Charles.....	Sept. 17, 1816
†Marr, Robert T.....	May 5, 1818
McNeal, Archibald.....	March 2, 1819
Merriam, George M.....	July 10, 1821
Morales, Antonio.....	Oct. 9, 1824

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Name	Date
Merriam, John A.....	Feb. 11, 1825
Morrell, Dr. Samuel D.....	Oct. 11, 1826
Munroe, Charles A. B.....	Jan. 5, 1857
Merrill, Edwin B.....	Feb. 8, 1860
Marsh, Lewis H.....	March 12, 1864
Merritt, George W.....	Nov. 6, 1865
Meek, Wells D.....	Sept. 7, 1868
Mayo, Charles L.....	March 3, 1879
Musso-Cambiano, Filippo.....	Oct. 3, 1887
Newton, Thomas.....	Jan. 13, 1747
Norris, William.....	Jan. 27, 1747
Neal, Richard.....	Aug. 28, 1751
Nicholson, George.....	Oct. 28, 1795
Nye, Joseph.....	April 26, 1797
Nye, Samuel.....	April 5, 1803
*Newton, Thomas W.....	June 27, 1812
Newton, John F.....	March 2, 1813
†Norris, Otho.....	July 27, 1813
†New, Walter W.....	Jan. 3, 1814
†Noyes, Leonard W.....	Jan. 9, 1821
Niebuhr, Henry.....	March 6, 1827
Neat, Samuel N.....	July 6, 1857
Overing, John.....	Jan. 13, 1734
Osborne, John.....	Jan. 14, 1735
Oliver, Robert.....	Feb. 5, 1735
Oliver, Edward.....	Dec. 24, 1740
Orpin, Abraham.....	June 23, 1741
*Oliver, Daniel.....	Nov. 26, 1794
Otis, Charles.....	Feb. 2, 1803
O'Brien, John.....	Sept. 8, 1808
Oliver, George S. J.....	May 20, 1853
Prescott, Peter.....	Nov. 9, 1733
Patteshall, Richard.....	Nov. 13, 1734
Parks, Richard.....	Nov. 19, 1736
Price, Charles.....	Jan. 27, 1741
Perchard, Daniel.....	Aug. 10, 1743
Plaisted, Daniel.....	June 13, 1744
Pelham, Peter, Jr.....	Nov. 14, 1744
Prescott, Jonathan.....	Jan. 14, 1746
Peach, Lewis.....	July 26, 1749
Patterson, Forbes.....	Feb. 27, 1750
Packard, Jacob.....	Dec. 26, 1750
Pitcher, Moses.....	May 3, 1762

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Name	Date
Perkins, John.....	March 7, 1766
Piemont, John.....	April 1, 1768
Prince, Thomas.....	April 19, 1780
Palms, Richard.....	Feb. 6, 1784
Pond, Joshua.....	Dec. 30, 1796
Palmer, George.....	May 13, 1797
Parker, Samuel.....	June 6, 1798
Phillips, Patrick.....	May 7, 1800
*Paine, Thomas.....	Oct. 29, 1800
Parker, John R.....	Oct. 12, 1801
Prentice, John M.....	May 5, 1807
Peirce, Rowland.....	March 18, 1809
Pruneda, Ramon M.....	May 3, 1814
Prescott, Samuel J.....	Nov. 7, 1815
Paiva, Jose Correa D.....	May 20, 1817
Pinckney, Richard S.....	Sept. 14, 1818
Payne, Elisha D.....	March 2, 1819
Porter, Christopher.....	Oct. 3, 1820
Preston, Ebenezer C.....	Feb. 6, 1821
Parsons, Samuel.....	April 22, 1824
Pomeroy, Samuel, Jr.....	Feb. 14, 1826
Parker, Robert A.....	June 9, 1843
Putnam, Lemuel.....	Jan. 5, 1846
Putnam, George A.....	Dec. 1, 1852
Pearce, William A.....	March 17, 1854
Pauncefort, George.....	May 29, 1855
Parker, Charles E.....	March 4, 1861
*Peck, Alfred P.....	Dec. 19, 1867
Pope, William J.....	June 9, 1873
Potter, Augustus R.....	April 5, 1880
Quincy, Rev. Samuel.....	March 14, 1749
Quart, A.....	Jan. 1, 1762
Robertson, Patrick.....	May 12, 1736
Renolds, Thomas.....	Nov. 10, 1736
Ramsay, Archibald.....	Nov. 24, 1736
Right, John.....	Oct. 8, 1740
Rae, John.....	Sept. 9, 1747
Ross, William.....	Nov. 17, 1748
Rundell, Joseph.....	Feb. 27, 1750
Richardson, Henry.....	Aug. 22, 1753
Rogers, Nathaniel.....	Feb. 3, 1764
Reed, Seth.....	Jan. 15, 1783
Rumney, Abner.....	Feb. 6, 1784
*Reed, William.....	Nov. 27, 1795
Roff, Paul.....	March 6, 1804

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Name	Date
Rumney, Edward.....	March 24, 1810
Riley, James.....	July 20, 1813
†Rand, Gardner H.....	April 1, 1817
Rogers, William T.....	Sept. 14, 1818
Roaf, Henry.....	April 17, 1820
Reinhold, Casper.....	May 7, 1822
Ridgeway, Joseph.....	June 7, 1825
Rich, Thomas P.....	Aug. 2, 1825
Rouzen, Arthur.....	Sept. 16, 1839
Reed, Theodore.....	Jan. 4, 1847
Rosemeyer, Henry C.....	March 6, 1848
Read, William.....	Jan. 5, 1852
Reed, John, Jr.....	June 16, 1854
Richardson, Charles H.....	May 22, 1854
Ricker, Moses D.....	May 29, 1855
Remington, Frank.....	March 19, 1859
†Rogers, William H.....	May 2, 1859
Reynolds, George B.....	Nov. 2, 1868
Smith, John.....	Aug. 3, 1733
Slaughter, Moses.....	Sept. 12, 1733
Smith, Robert.....	Jan. 30, 1735
Stevenson, James.....	Aug. 11, 1736
Stone, Samuel.....	April 13, 1737
Smith, Joseph.....	Nov. 11, 1737
Sprowl, James.....	Nov. 24, 1742
Smithurst, Joseph.....	Dec. 22, 1742
Shannon, John.....	June 22, 1743
Smith, Richard.....	July 10, 1745
St. Paul, Peter P. C.....	Aug. 14, 1745
Sherburne, Joseph.....	Nov. 12, 1746
Stone, Samuel.....	Jan. 13, 1747
Smithers, Benjamin.....	March 23, 1747
Svere, Bartholomew.....	Nov. 17, 1748
Stoddard, Benjamin.....	Feb. 8, 1748
Sweeney, Roscoe.....	Dec. 22, 1749
Steward, James.....	Feb. 11, 1749
Stoddard, Richard.....	Dec. 26, 1753
Sigourney, Charles.....	Oct. 19, 1780
Stebbins, Jere.....	May 13, 1797
Smith, Ira.....	May 13, 1797
Smith, Jonathan.....	Feb. 8, 1800
*Sawyer, Artemas.....	July 6, 1802
Smith, Allen.....	Nov. 6, 1804
Shank, John.....	Feb. 5, 1805

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Name	Date
†Stephen, Joseph.....	May 6, 1806
*Stow, Edward.....	Oct. 2, 1806
*Shaw, Thomas.....	Jan. 5, 1808
*Soffredini, John B.....	June 27, 1812
Spinder, Albert J.....	May 31, 1814
Street, George.....	July 4, 1814
Smith, Joseph.....	April 10, 1817
Smith, John.....	April 2, 1817
Spear, Isaac.....	March 18, 1819
Smith, Levi.....	April 17, 1820
Schim, George W.....	March 22, 1821
Stowell, Thomas.....	Oct. 2, 1821
Shattuck, Rufus.....	Oct. 11, 1823
Shattuck, William.....	Sept. 6, 1825
Shattuck, Oliver S.....	Dec. 6, 1825
Sanger, Richard E.....	April 4, 1826
Sparrell, William.....	July 25, 1826
Smith, Harden P.....	June 29, 1826
Stratton, John.....	Aug. 18, 1826
Scott, Benjamin H.....	Oct. 11, 1826
Soule, John P.....	Nov. 25, 1853
Sevey, James A.....	May 29, 1854
Sprague, Thomas.....	Sept. 14, 1855
Shillaber, Benjamin P.....	June 1, 1857
Sanger, John W.....	May 5, 1857
Steadman, Francis F.....	May 24, 1858
Sinclair, Charles H.....	June 7, 1859
Stevens, Oliver.....	May 4, 1863
Shepard, Charles A. B.....	Feb. 5, 1866
Sherman, Orin.....	Nov. 27, 1866
Sawyer, Francis M.....	Jan. 22, 1872
Sparkes, Richard.....	June 3, 1878
Tran, Alexander.....	Jan. 13, 1734
Tompkins, Peter.....	Nov. 19, 1736
Tucker, John.....	Nov. 9, 1737
Tanner, John.....	Sept. 28, 1738
Townsend, Barnard.....	March 12, 1745
Thompson, James.....	Nov. 8, 1749
Tuthill, Jacob.....	Dec. 22, 1749
Tyler, William.....	Feb. 11, 1749
Tuft, Simon.....	May 9, 1750
Turton, Joseph.....	Aug. 28, 1751
Tyng, William.....	Feb. 3, 1764
Torrey, Benjamin.....	Sept. 7, 1764

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Name	Date.
Taylor, Winslow.....	April 1, 1768
Tuttle, Benjamin.....	Jan. 12, 1781
Tetard, Benjamin.....	March 5, 1784
Taylor, William.....	March 6, 1804
Taylor, Simon.....	March 6, 1804
Tucker, Alanson.....	May 20, 1805
Thom, Isaac.....	April 7, 1807
Thayer, Minot T.....	Oct. 5, 1807
Tilden, William.....	April 13, 1809
Tillinghast, Thomas G.....	Feb. 6, 1814
Thayer, Solomon A.....	April 29, 1817
Taylor, William.....	Feb. 12, 1819
Train, Oliver.....	Oct. 30, 1821
†Thayer, Ebenezer, Jr.....	June 1, 1824
Thomas, Sylvanus.....	April 13, 1842
Thomas, John E.....	April 13, 1842
Treadwell, Charles T.....	April 6, 1857
Tinkham, George H.....	Oct. 3, 1864
Urann, Capt. Richard.....	March 4, 1817
Vandelure, Giles.....	June 9, 1736
Vassell, Lewis.....	July 14, 1742
Vanhartburger, John.....	July 27, 1743
Villiers, Thomas C.....	May 5, 1801
Van Beevenstyn, Benoit.....	June 6, 1825
Voigt, Abraham K.....	Aug. 12, 1841
Vallason, Christian H.....	Aug. 12, 1841
Von Wachenfelds, Gustaf T.....	May 1, 1843
Walker, William.....	Feb. 27, 1733
Wesson, William.....	May 22, 1734
Webster, John.....	April 3, 1740
Wilson, George.....	May 11, 1743
White, Richard.....	May 9, 1744
Winslow, Samuel.....	June 13, 1744
Wells, Samuel.....	Dec. 22, 1749
Wells, Francis.....	May 9, 1750
Welch, Francis.....	April 1, 1766
Wyman, Simeon.....	Jan. 29, 1794
*Walker, John.....	Feb. 22, 1797
Williams, John.....	May 7, 1800
Wayne, Thomas.....	Jan. 5, 1802
Williams, Eliphalet.....	Jan. 3, 1804
*Wilson, George B.....	Feb. 7, 1804
Whitcomb, Tilley.....	March 19, 1805
*Wier, William.....	Feb. 4, 1806

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Wood, Joshua B.....	May 6, 1806
Wiswall, Japhet.....	Feb. 6, 1808
Weld, Thomas.....	March 1, 1808
Wales, Ephraim.....	Nov. 20, 1810
Wrightson, Robert.....	April 2, 1811
Wallace, Samuel.....	Jan. 2, 1816
Webb, Thomas T.....	Oct. 1, 1816
Wheeler, Jonathan.....	Nov. 7, 1816
Williamson, Charles L.....	June 3, 1817
Wheelock, Rev. Edward W.....	Nov. 16, 1817
Williams, William.....	Dec. 2, 1817
Winn, Alvah.....	April 7, 1818
Weisenthall, Thomas V.....	May 4, 1819
Wells, Benjamin A.....	Sept. 7, 1819
Winn, Wiseman C.....	Jan. 24, 1820
Winship, Charles S.....	Aug. 8, 1820
Whiting, David.....	Nov. 21, 1821
*Walker, William B.....	Dec. 3, 1822
Whitmarsh, Samuel.....	Dec. 2, 1823
Whitney, Daniel.....	Aug. 9, 1825
Walker, Robert G.....	Nov. 21, 1825
Wetherell, Richard.....	March 14, 1826
Wyman, James.....	March 14, 1826
Whitman, Henry M. L.....	April 30, 1844
Whitman, William H.....	May 3, 1847
Waterman, Nathaniel.....	April 2, 1849
Wilson, John W. F.....	June 12, 1851
Whitehouse, Sidney F.....	Feb. 16, 1854
Williams, Jacob L.....	March 17, 1854
Wright, John H.....	May 29, 1854
Way, Nicholas.....	Oct. 6, 1854
Warren, John A.....	June 19, 1855
Walker, Charles W.....	Nov. 5, 1855
Wheelwright, Charles H.....	April 23, 1858
Ward, Henry H.....	Jan. 5, 1863
Woodbury, Isaiah.....	Nov. 21, 1864
Whittemore, Samuel D.....	Nov. 27, 1866
Whitcomb, William H.....	April 7, 1873
Young, Richard D.....	April 10, 1817
Yarrington, Richard H.....	May 19, 1845

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## ADDENDA

This record would be incomplete without some reference to three notable members of St. John's Lodge, who have passed away since the copy of the book was delivered to the printer.

Theodore H. Emmons, who died Jan. 21, 1917, at the age of 88, had been a member nearly sixty years. He was Worshipful Master in 1865 and was made an honorary member in 1867. He was a lineal descendant of Governor Robinson of the Mayflower party. Worshipful Brother Emmons had collected a remarkable Masonic library, and was one of the best known Masons in the State. He attained the 33d degree in 1893, and for 57 years was secretary of St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter.

George D. Dodd died Jan. 29, 1917, at the advanced age of 91. His membership dated from 1867, and he was Marshal in 1872-74. He was elected an honorary member in 1901. Brother Dodd came of fine old New England stock, his grandfather being an officer in the Revolutionary war and his great-uncle secretary to Governor Hancock. At the time of his death he was still living in the old Dodd family residence at the North End (Salem street) and carrying on the fur business which his father had established, and in which he had been engaged three-quarters of a century.

Ferdinand F. French, who died Feb. 1, 1917, was born in Pittsfield, N. H., in 1843, and joined St. John's Lodge in 1869. He was long a prominent carriage builder, and in recent years was identified with the automobile business.



II. *Wednesday April the 23<sup>d</sup> 1740.*

*Being Lodge Night the following Brethren Mett.*

*The Right Worshipful Bro. Rob<sup>t</sup> Tomlinson P<sup>r</sup> 20/*  
*The R<sup>h</sup> W. Bro. Hugh M<sup>d</sup> Daniel M<sup>d</sup> P<sup>r</sup> 20/*

*The R<sup>h</sup> W. Bro. Oxenard P<sup>r</sup> 20/*

*Bro. Hen<sup>y</sup> Price P<sup>r</sup> 20/*

*Bro. J. Phillips P<sup>r</sup> 20/*

*Bro. Moffatt P<sup>r</sup> 20/*

*Bro. Hutchinson P<sup>r</sup> 20/*

*Bro. Jenkins P<sup>r</sup> 20/ by I. W.*

*Bro. Swan P<sup>r</sup> 20/*

*Bro. Hollowell P<sup>r</sup> 20/ I. W.*

*Bro. A. Bethune P<sup>r</sup> 20/ P. P.*

*Bro. Schonnot P<sup>r</sup> 20/*

*Bro. Luke Vardy P<sup>r</sup> 20/*

*Bro. Deblois*

*Bro. Surrey*

*Bro. Wagborne I. W.*

*Bro. J. Farrel I. W.*

*Bro. J. Walker I.*

*Bro. P. Pelham I.*

*Bro. Slater Vis<sup>r</sup>*

*Bro. Webster Vis<sup>r</sup>*

*Bro. Durfeet Vis<sup>r</sup>*

*Bro. Facey Vis<sup>r</sup>*

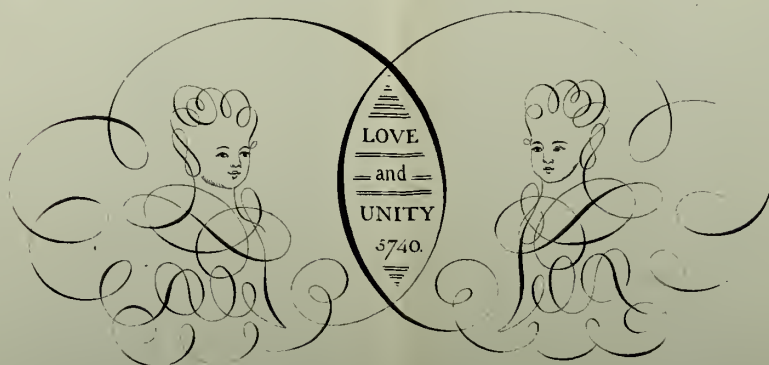
*Bro. Atkins Vis<sup>r</sup>*

*Bro. Stevenson*

*Paid*  
*£ 4 . 5 .*

*Tyler 3<sup>rs</sup>*  
*Rock £ 4 . 2 . 6.*  
*£ 4 . 5 . 6.*

*The Lodge being open'd, Voted, that Bro. Bethune—*  
*will take the welfare of this Society so far into consideration, as*  
*to frame a Law, to lay before us: in order to prevent for the Future*  
*any Differences in Opinion that might at any time arise about the*  
*Proposing, Ballotting, and Making of Candidates, and Likewise*  
*to Collect the Whole Body of By Laws into a System.*





The Humble Petition of the following Subscribers in  
 Behalf of themselves and Worshipfull & Antient Brotherhood  
 Belonging to the Society of Free & Accepted Masons now residing  
 here  
 To the Rt. Worshippfull Bro. M<sup>r</sup>. Henry Price Deputed  
 Provinciall, G. M. for these parts By your Rt. Wor-  
 shipfull & Worshipfull Bro. & R<sup>t</sup>. Hon<sup>ble</sup> Ant<sup>e</sup>  
 Lord Vice. Montague G. M. of Great Britain also  
 His Seal & Signed by us the Rt. Worshippfull Bro. Thos. Bakon by  
 D<sup>ts</sup> G<sup>ts</sup>. G. Rooke & J. Smyth J. D<sup>s</sup>. G. Wardens as per Deputation  
 Dated in London the 13. day of April Anno D<sup>ni</sup> 1733 and of  
 Masonry 5733

Sheweth

That your Petitioners are very sensible of the Honour done to us  
 here by your Deputation & just as much as we are a sufficient  
 Number of Brothers regularly & duly made in our Lodges  
 Kingdoms of Great Britain & Ireland as appeared to you on  
 Examination & are now desirous of enjoying each other as well  
 as those made here of their respective Names hereunto annexed  
 as Masters in a Regular & Antient Lodge for our Harmony  
 & Union together as well as our Brethren, being at any time  
 arrive here or such as may be made Bro. hereafter it is to say in  
 due Manner & Form. **THEFORE** We Request as well in our  
 Own Name and Names (as well as all other Brethren it may for-  
 come if you will please to give the necessary orders to all our  
 Brethren within your limits to give their due atten-  
 dance on you at a reasonable hour to assist you & the Rest of  
 the Brethren in their Capacities towards Constituting a  
 Regular Lodge at the Sign of the Bunch of Grapes in Kings-  
 Street known by the Name of the House of St. George's Lodge  
 on Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> Inst. whereby We may be enabled to assist  
 one another in the true & lawful Works of Antient Masonry  
 or at any other Place or Places as may seem more meet &  
 Reasonable to our G<sup>ts</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. his Deputies & Assistants of the Bro. may  
 agree upon without them to make such & scale places & Rules  
 not exceeding your Bounds prescribed to us in our Constituted Book  
 of Constitutions or as your Deputation & as will be approved  
 & confirmed by them according to Antient Right & Custom  
 such Lodges to be held on every second & fourth Wednesday  
 in each Month for the Common Good of us & Brethren Your  
 Compliance hereon We doubt not will redound much  
 the Honour of Masonry by enlarging it among  
 worthy Gentlemen in this Town & elsewhere Residing We are  
 as we Respect Sir

Your Obedt. Serv<sup>t</sup>

James Gordon	And <sup>e</sup> Belcher
John Waddell	Henry Stope
Edmund Ellis	Thos. Kennelly
W <sup>m</sup> Gordon	John Laine
Thos. Baker	Fred <sup>e</sup> Hamilton
Thos. Mowbray	John W. N. Salt
And <sup>e</sup> Hallybutts	Peter Hall
Robert Pease	William Young
Sam. Pemberton	
John Gordon	



